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Scheinflug's 10-year wait is over



Flashback to Les Scheinflug's glorious playing days, from left: in the colors of New South Wales, holding aloft the Ampol Cup, and the colors of Prague.

Les Scheinflug and Marconi both have had to wait a decade for the fantastic premiership success which 1979 has brought to them.

Scheinflug got Marconi promoted from the NSW Second Division in 1969 and it has taken until now for the club and he to win another premiership.

Marconi has been a leading club side since it was promoted and under Rale Rasic had grand final triumphs and several placings, but the top rung eluded them till now.

For Les Scheinflug the years since that 1969 triumph with Marconi have been filled with the ups and downs which are the experience of most coaches, especially in Australia.

It is fitting that 1979 has brought him his reward for the 10 years of dedication to improve his coaching skills and his determination to keep going.

The year 1969 was a crucial one for Scheinflug and Marconi.

Scheinflug had been appointed player-coach

MIKE JOHNSON

and given a handsome budget to get this ambitious club into First Division.

I am very aware of the year because I had been appointed player-coach of a club in the same division, Sutherland.

I introduced a youth policy at Sutherland and all of 1969 our young team of Australians vied with Marconi for top spot.

The crunch came in the second last game when Sutherland played Marconi at Sutherland's Seymour Shaw Park before a record crowd (still) of 5000.

A win for Sutherland would have taken us up, whereas a point was all Marconi needed.

With the score 2-1 to Sutherland late in the game a penalty was awarded to Marconi.

A typically calm Scheinflug slotted the ball home. Marconi was promoted and Scheinflug's coaching career was on its way.

Sutherland and I had to wait another two years for our entry into NSW's premier division.

But for Scheinflug the sweetness of promotion soon turned to sourness when the following season, following a row, he left the club and threatened to sue over breach of contract.

He was out of the game for a while and played semi-socially in the lower divisions of the NSW Federation.

Later he had a late-season call-up by Canterbury which was struggling against relegation from NSW First Division.

Scheinflug was unable to prevent the slide to Second Division. After another short spell out of the game he took over the well-heeled Western Suburbs on a two-year contract.

Top-four success eluded him and when the Phillips League began he moved to Brisbane to take over Brisbane Lions.

Lions battled from the start and for many weeks the team was bottom of the ladder as Scheinflug struggled to assemble his team of spare parts.

As the mid-way point arrived and Lions still languished, it was common gossip that he

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Les Scheinflug, coach of 1979 Australian champion Marconi.



From left: Ray Charles, Dionne Warwick and Lou Rawls, international show business stars who were brought to Australia by the same company that will handle Cosmos.

Cosmos to get show biz push

By LAURIE SCHWAB

A show business promotion company is planning to spend up to \$205,000 on matches in Sydney and Newcastle by Franz Beckenbauer and his New York Cosmos.

The company, International Artists, has promoted Australian tours by Ray Charles, Dionne Warwick, Lou Rawls, Isaac Hays, James Brown, Manhattan Transfer and The Stylistics.

Company spokesman Ralph Lynch said this week: "We will apply show biz type promotion to the Cosmos visit. Full color posters will be printed and distributed throughout Sydney and Newcastle and we will advertise on television, on radio and in the papers."

"We'll get some of the leading players onto the 'Don Lane Show' in Melbourne and the 'Mike Walsh Show' in Sydney."

"We'll organise a radio interview with the Cosmos from Hong Kong as soon as they arrive there."

"And at the Sydney Showgrounds on match day, we're hoping to bring the teams onto the ground in huge floats shaped like soccer balls."

Cosmos will meet an Australian Eleven at the Showgrounds on Wednesday, October 24 at 8 pm.

The proposed match in Newcastle had not been confirmed by the time we went to Press but it was almost certain that KB United would play against Cosmos at the International Sports Centre on Sunday, October 28.

Cosmos' visit to Australia was organised by the Victorian Soccer Federation, through its chairman Michael Weinsten.

Cosmos will open their tour with a match against Victoria at Olympic Park on Sunday, October 21.

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It was Scheinflug who, as player-coach, brought Marconi into the NSW First Division in 1969. That's him, standing, third from the left.



Scheinflug was captain of Australia and later assistant to national coach Rale Rasic. Here he is, third from left, with the Socceroos who met Japan in Melbourne in 1968. Others, from left: Ackerley, Corry (obscured), Keith, Schaefer, Vojtek, Baartz, McColl, Rutherford, Blitz, Blue.



Ken Boden

Boden set to join Slickers

Newcastle KB United striker Ken Boden was expected as we went to Press to join Sydney City for next season.

Boden, the 1978 Australian Player of the Year, had accepted Sydney City's offer. All that remained was for the two clubs to agree on a transfer fee.

Sydney City's approach to Boden has ended speculation that the Slickers will pull out of the PSL next season.

Boden told "Soccer Action": "I wasn't able to get everything I wanted from Sydney City but the signing-on fee is pretty good nevertheless and they've offered me a good job as a sales rep with Presto Smallgoods."

"There was a chance last week that I'd join Canberra City but I'd prefer to go to Sydney because it's closer to Newcastle, where all my friends are."

"Marconi contacted Newcastle United about talking to me but they never got in touch with me personally."

LAURIE SCHWAB

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CAN CUMMING WIN ROTHMANS FOR THE SECOND TIME?

By KYLE PATTERSON

Tommy Cumming is hot favorite to win the 1979 Rothmans Gold Medal for the Victorian State League player of the year.

Cumming, who won the medal by a mammoth 14 votes last season, could bolt away now that Preston Makedonia's Robert Cullen is ineligible to win the medal.

Any player sent off, as Cullen was in round 15 against Altona City cannot win the award under competition rules. The Rothmans Medal is decided on the votes of referees, who vote 3-2-1 for every game.

Cumming has had an excellent season, perhaps even better than his efforts last

year. He's now more consistent but retains the explosive and exciting edge on his game.

The fact that he's only 5ft 4ins tall, has tremendous pace and a never-say-die approach makes him an eye-catching player. This is sure to win him plenty of votes.

Cullen is of the same mould as Cumming, being a small, but tenacious player. He, too, is an eye-catcher.

Cumming polled seven 3 votes, six 2 votes and three votes in last season's medal count.

He will start favorite this year but his main challengers are likely to be defenders, who poll well in the medal count. Of the top 12 votegetters in 1978, seven were defenders, and only three were forwards.

One of those forwards was George McMillan of Makedonia, who finished in equal third place. He again will poll well but is faced with the hindrance of having Cullen and Gary Ward taking votes from him.

This is part one of a two-part preview of the Rothmans Medal award. The winner will be announced at a gala evening at the Southern Cross on Friday, October 5.

The first six State League clubs (alphabetical order) will be previewed.

With no disrespect to referees, players who poll well are invariably those who have good on-field manners. Players prone to dissenting referees' decisions have little chance.

All figures quoted from 'Soccer Action's' 1979 player of the year award are after

Dinner to mark Fleming Medal

The six leading candidates for the Bill Fleming Medal will be wine and dined by Victorian soccer writers on October 2. The dinner will be held at the Vinyard Restaurant in Acland Street, St. Kilda.

It is being arranged by the Victorian branch of the Victorian Soccer Press Association.

Club officials are also urged to attend. Those who intend to come along should ring ASPA secretary Stephen Kalus on 20 7323.

The Bill Fleming Medal, named after the soccer writer of the now defunct daily newspaper 'The Argus,' is awarded on votes by a panel of Press men.

round 20, and don't include last week's votes.

Albion Rovers

Three of Albion Rovers' top four votegetters in last season's Rothmans count have left the club.

John Davidson (12) votes has returned to Perth after only one season, and Danny McCuskey (4) and Noel Mitten (10) have transferred to Frankston City.

What's more, Bill McIntyre, who polled 10 votes and is still with the club, is ineligible because he was sent off this season.

Albion has five players who are ineligible because of sending-offs. Of these Alex Wark and McIntyre would have polled votes.

Bobby Nisbet and Mike D'Sylva are expected to be Albion's main votegetters. D'Sylva (10 votes) and Nisbet (8) are club's leading votegetters in the 1979 'Soccer Action' award.

Nisbet, an efficient sweeper and D'Sylva, a sometimes brilliant midfielder/forward, will impress referees.

D'Sylva has scored five goals and this will boost his vote tally.

Steve Blair, the Victorian youth team defender, is the only other Albion player with a serious chance of finishing well in the count.

Blair was Albion's leading votegetters (10) in the 1978 'Soccer Action' award.

Altona City

The new brigade at Altona City will lead the club's charge for Rothmans Medal honors.

Billy Whyte, Harry Hird, Stuart Cannell and Robin Craw, all in their first season with the club, are expected to poll well. In 'Soccer Action's' 1979 award, these four fill the first four places in intra-club votes.

Whyte has 21 votes, followed by Hird (9), Cannell (8) and Craw (7). However, Cannell missed the start of the season and Hird has shown his good form only since switching to full back.

Whyte is the main contender, with defender Rob Gramsbergen and popular goalkeeper Han van der Poel also likely to poll well.

In last year's Rothmans count, Gramsbergen received seven votes (third best for Altona) and van der Poel polled 13 (the highest for a goalkeeper in 1978, and Altona's best performance).

Utility Alan Davidson, who is now with South Melbourne, polled 11 votes when with Altona in 1978.

In the 1978 'Soccer Action' award, Davidson (12) votes) led van der Poel (11), George Watters (10), Alby Brown (8) and Peter Lewis (7).

Croydon City

The only honor of the Metropolitan League that Croydon City failed to grab last season was the First Division player of the year.

The award went to Pedro Santos of Kellor Austria, with midfielder Duncan Smith (8th) Croydon's nearest challenger on 13 votes.

Croydon did win the First Division championship, the Winfield Cup and the Cumberland Cup.

Joe Tront is likely to be the biggest vote winner from Croydon in the 1979 Rothmans count. Also in the running from Croydon are Alan Pongho, Steve McCombe and goalkeeper Mick Edwards.

In the 'Soccer Action' 1979 award, Pongho is the leader at Croydon with 13 votes, followed by Edwards, McCombe (both 8) and Tront (5).

Tront has had a good season in midfield and became more of a drawcard after good performances for Victoria against Partizan Belgrade and Norwich City.

He scored Victoria's first goal against Norwich and is



Tommy Cumming with the 1978 Rothmans Medal and proud Croatia secretary Frank Burin.

Croydon's second top scorer with four goals. Dave Brogan is the leader with eight goals.

McCombe, Pongho and Edwards have received praise for stopping goals, and may even poll more votes than Tront because of this.

Scottish pair Jimmy Spink and Duncan Smith may cause a surprise and also poll well.

Competition for votes from team mates is a big worry for Tommy Cumming in his bid to win his second successive Rothmans Medal.

Last season he dominated the poll to collect 36 votes and the second highest Croatia players were 28 votes adrift. They were Yakka Banovic (now Heidelberg Utd) and Howard Andrews (8 votes).

Steve Short, who finished second in the 1978 Rothmans polled 22 votes. However, his Slavia team mate of last season, John Yzendoorn, polled 17 votes to finish equal fifth.

One is left to ponder what might have been had not two such good players been in the same team, thus robbing each other of votes.

Short is now with Croatia, and Yzendoorn with Heidelberg Utd.

Cumming's main opposition at Essendon will come from Carl Gilder, Ken Murphy, Short, John Gardiner and Steve Kokoska. As you can see, there are many players capable of taking votes from Cumming.

Cumming (17) votes) leads at Croatia in the 1979 'Soccer Action' award from Gilder (12), Murphy (9), Keith Adams (7), Short and Kokoska (both 5).

In the 1978 'Soccer Action' award, Cumming collected 23 votes to finish second overall to John Yzendoorn of Slavia, who polled 24.

His nearest challengers at Essendon were Gardiner (14), Alan Kerr (12), Kokoska (11), Banovic (9) and Eddie Krncevic (8).

Frankston City

Tony Young, the talented former Manchester Utd utility, has been haunted by bad luck during his stay with Frankston City.

Young has been sent off twice and subsequently been suspended, and now has a serious shoulder injury. Young dislocated his shoulder after sliding into a fence during the Frankston City/Preston Makedonia game two weeks ago.

Despite this misfortune, Young is the leading Frankston player in the 'Soccer Action' 1979 player of the year award. Young has 14 votes and is equal fifth overall.

His namesake — Bruce Young and defender Bob Adams trail on 11 votes, with Noel Mitten and Ged Bannan on seven votes.

Young is ineligible to win the Rothmans Medal, so the Frankston camp will pin its hopes on Bruce Young, Adams, Mitten and Vince Bannan, who finished equal fifth with 17 votes in the 1978 Rothmans medal count.

Vince won the award in 1973 when he was with Fitzroy (now Heidelberg Utd).

Sandy Irvine (18 votes) finished equal fourth in the Rothmans Medal last year when he played with Frankston. The other leading Frankston players were Keith Webster, Frank Petersen (8 votes) and Gordon McGregor (5 votes).

In the 1978 'Soccer Action' award, McGregor led the Frankston club with 10 votes. Irvine also polled 10 votes.

Behind the leaders came Petersen, Adams (6 votes), Eric Gillespie and Vince Bannan (4 votes).

George Cross

George Cross has a memorable association with the Rothmans Gold medal.

John Gardiner won two successive Rothmans Medals while playing for George Cross, a feat which is so far unequalled.

Gardiner won the Rothmans award for the first two years of its existence. After his win in 1971, he went one better in



Jim Paparas (left) of George Cross, confronts Croatia's John Gardiner.



Mike D'Sylva (Albion Rovers)

1972 by winning the Bill Fleming medal as well.

The Bill Fleming Medal is decided by a panel of soccer writers.

George Cross has had a poor 1979 season and a good showing by one of his players in the Rothmans Medal would salvage some pride.

Tony Cowan, Jim Paparas, Gary Hooper and goalkeeper Svez Matsson carry the hopes of the George fans. Defender Norm Maitland will collect a reasonable number of votes.

Cowan (11 votes) leads the George Cross club in the 'Soccer Action' 1979 award, followed by Hooper (10), Matsson and Paparas (6 votes).

In last season's Rothmans count, Robert Cullen of George Cross polled 18 votes to

finish equal fourth. Cullen, now of Preston, was followed by John Webb (Now Austria) on 12 votes, Maitland (7), Alex McConville (6), Billy Wilkinson and Paparas (5).

Ken Reed, the George Cross to goalscorer with 10 goals, polled badly in the Rothmans Medal. However, in the 1978 'Soccer Action' award he polled 14 votes to lead the George Cross contingent. Behind him were Cullen (13), Paparas (8), Chico Mifsud (6) and McConville (5).

Next week 'Soccer Action' looks at the chances of players from Green Gully Ajax, Hakoah St. Kilda, Juventus, Prahran Slavia, Preston Makedonia and Sunshine City.



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Rob Gramsbergen (Altona)



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Umbro International will provide an overseas trip for two to the photographer who is judged to have taken the Soccer Picture of the year.

The winner will be named at the Australian Player of the Year presentation night at the Oberoi Hotel in Adelaide on Thursday, November 1.

The pictures will be judged by an Australian Journalists Association panel.

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Meanwhile, "Soccer Action" has chosen its own best pictures of 1979. Both were taken by Sam Belfonte

during Victoria's 1-0 victory over Partizan Belgrade at Olympic Park in June. The horizontal shot shows Joe Piccone (second from left) scoring Victoria's winning goal, with Partizan goalkeeper Rade Zalad beaten. Others, from left, are: Nenad Stojkovic, Jamie Paton and Milan Pavkovic.

The vertical picture, a study in fierce determination shows Victoria's Steve Short (left) and Partizan's Milan Pavkovic straining every muscle in a race for the ball.



Ivo Prskalo (Marconi)



Footscray star Zdravko Lujic (left) down injured.

Prskalo bids for Boden's crown

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Marconi's elegant defender Ivo Prskalo is among the favorites for the Australian Player of the Year award, to be presented at the Oberoi Hotel, Adelaide, on Thursday, November 1.

Prskalo has been one of the leaders in the "Soccer Action" Yugoslav Airline Player of the Year voting for most of the season.

In the first two years of the PSL, the Yugoslav Airlines award winner also won the Australian Player of the Year award, which is decided on votes by soccer writers throughout Australia.

Jimmy Rooney, then of Marconi, won both awards in 1977 and Ken Boden of Newcastle KB United did likewise last year.

Prskalo, who joined Marconi from Yugoslav First Division club Velez Mostar in 1977, was capped for Australia this year.

His cool, composed play out of defence has been one of the main ingredients in Marconi's success.

The Australian player of the year awards night, financed by Philips Industries, is being organised this year by the South Australian branch of the Australian Soccer Press Association (ASPA).

The award was instigated by the Victorian branch — the founder branch — in 1977, and was run last year by the NSW branch.

As in the past, there will again be awards for the Best under 21 player (John Kosmina 1977, Ian Souness 1978) and the Coach of the Year (Rale Rasic 1977, Gerry Chaldi 1978).

Peter Rampl won the inaugural Referee of the Year award in 1978. This award will again be made and a Team of the Year will be named as well.

Marconi's Les Scheinflug and Brisbane City's Nereo Sautich are leading candidates for the Referee of the Year award.

Greg Woodhouse (APIA), Peter Raskopoulos (Olympic), Eddie Krncevic (Marconi) and Mike Fraser (St George) are among the favorites for the Best under 21 player trophy.

As a guide to the leading player of the Year contenders, the following is an all-star team, in 4-2-4 formation, based on standings in the Yugoslav Airlines ratings before last weekend's round of matches:

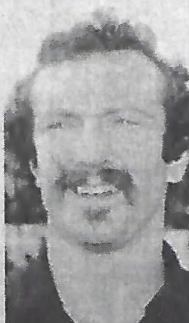
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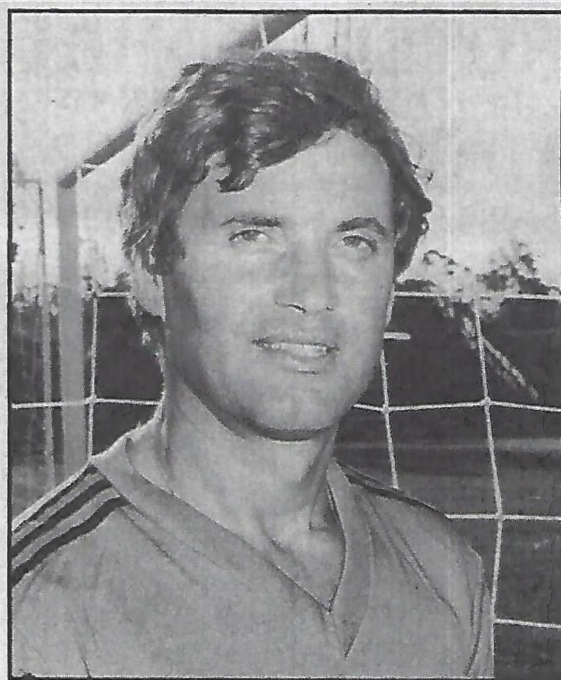
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Marconi winger Peter Sharne (right), tackled by Tony Turner of South Melbourne.



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SYDNEY CITY	6	1	6	24	21	8	2	2	20	7	44:28	1	32
BRISBANE CITY	7	2	3	20	11	6	3	4	16	19	36:30	1	32
Adelaide City	5	3	4	16	14	7	3	3	25	12	41:26	1	31
Newcastle KH	6	4	2	21	12	4	5	4	19	18	40:30	1	30
West Adelaide	6	2	5	17	11	4	2	6	11	18	28:29	1	25
APIA-Leichhardt	5	2	5	14	15	5	1	7	13	21	27:36	0	23
Brisbane Lions	5	1	7	18	24	3	5	4	10	14	28:38	0	22
Footscray JUST	5	1	7	17	20	3	2	7	12	20	29:40	1	20
Canberra City	2	4	6	11	21	4	4	5	13	17	24:38	0	20
Sydney Olympic	2	3	7	8	14	5	2	6	15	15	23:29	0	19
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NEWCASTLE KB UTD: Dando 8 — Willis 8, Drinkwater 7, Sneddon 7, Curran 8 — Bertogna 7, Tredinick 7, Senkalski 8 — Heys 7, Boden 8, McClelland 8 (Jones).

FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. 5 APIA-LEICHHARDT 1. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:

FOOTSCRAY: Potter 7 — Ristic 8, O'Reilly 8, Kondarios 7, Hazabent 7 — Rujovic 8, Jovanovic 10, Picione 8 — Palinkas 7, Ollerton 8, Lujic 9.

APIA: Woodhouse 5 — McGinn 4, Wilson 5, Dempsey 7, Turnbull 7 — Butler 4, Rampanti 4, Stone 8, O'Donnell 7 — Samuels 4 (Roberts 7, half time), Drews 4.

MARCONI 2 SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0. Ratings by Alex Vesic.

MARCONI: Mahwer 8, Brogan 8, Russell 8, Prskalo 9, Degney 7, Byrne 7, Henderson 7, Lindsay 6, Kmcovic 7, Jankovica 7, Sharpe 7.

OLYMPIC: Meier 7, McIntosh 7, Bell 8, Wilson 8, Palmer 7, Cross 6, Lang 7, Raskopoulos 7, Jamieson 6 (Eaton 45' - 6). Scott 6, Jennings 6.

BRISBANE LIONS 3 CANBERRA CITY 0. Ratings by Bruce Waddell:

LIONS — Lownds 8, Ontong 9, Bennett 8, Hermiston 8, Lavelle 7 (Lawrie 82nd), Spearritt 7, Millman 8, Conner 7, Fairbrother 7, Brennan 7, Hughes 6.

CANBERRA CITY — Hozzowski 7, Moulis 7, Brown 7, Hogg 7, Kavaleva 8, Milovanovic 8 (Bailey 70th), Farrell 7, Davies 6, Lustica 6 (Williams 7 52nd) Byrne 7, McLaren 8.

ADELAIDE CITY 1 WEST ADELAIDE 0. Ratings by Meno Toutsidis.

ADELAIDE CITY: Marshall 8, (Migliaccio 7), Russell 8, Perin 7, Dodds 8, B. Nyakohus 8, Marocchi 7, Muniz 7, Northcote 7, Villani (Deans 8), J. Nyakohus 7, Kent 7.

WEST ADELAIDE: Crook 9, Tymczyszyn 8, kPant-sars 7, Dooley 6, Kumbaz 6, Jones 7, Kosmina 7, McCulloch 7, Norris 7, Honeyman 7, McGregor 8.

SOUTH MELBOURNE HELLAS 4 BRISBANE CITY 0. Ratings by Laurie Schwab:

SOUTH MELBOURNE: Boland 8 — Pye 9, Kalafatis 8, Baxter 8, Davidson 8 — Wright 6, Christopoulos 6, Lutton 8 — Ristovski 8, Kakantonis 6, Evans 7.

BRISBANE CITY: Wishart 5 — Perry 6, Ratcliffe 7, Potter 4, Rathmell 4 — Pimblett 6, Coyne 8, Gaffney 7 (Caldwell 73rd) — Brusasco 6 (Kelsa 65th) Campbell 6, Low 8.

SYDNEY CITY 1 HEIDELBERG UTD 3. Ratings by Eddie Katnic:

SYDNEY CITY: Clarke 8 — Mullen 5, O'Connor 6, Kershaw 6, Bruce 6 — Stevenson 5, Barnes 6, Souness 7 — Campbell 5 (Patikas 64th.), Treanter 8, Silva 7.

HEIDELBERG: Banovic 8 — McMillen 6, Yzendoorn 8, Bannon 7, Tansley 7 — Campbell 8, Taylor 8, Rooney 8 — Cole 7, Paton 7 (Bozikas 80th), Buljevic 7.

Loading averages:

8.0 Prskalo (Marc).

7.95 Crook (WA).

7.7 Perry (BC), Clarke (SC).

7.6 Potter, Ratcliffe (BC), Lujic (Foots), J. Campbell, Rooney (H'berg), Boden (Newc).

7.5 Woodhouse (APIA), Wilkinson (BC), Hermiston (BL), Curran, Drinkwater (Newc), Sharpe (Marc), Meier (SO).

7.4 Marshall, Russell (AC), Milovanovic (Can), Kondarios (Foots), Bannon, Buljevic (H'berg), Summerscales (Newc), Henderson, Jankovica (Marc), Pye (SM), S. O'Connor, Souness (SC), Bell (SO).

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9. Paton (H'berg), Boden (Newc), T. Byrne (Can).
8. Deans (AC).
7. Picciano, Paslinkas (Foots), Evans (SM), Norris, Kosmina (WA), Bames (SC), P.O. Connor, Connor (St. G), Drinkwater (Newc), Reed (APIA), Kent (AC), Eaton (SO).
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5. R. Campbell (BC), Stevenson (SC), G. Byrne (Marc), Taylor (H'berg), Northcote (AC).
4. Ollerton (Foots), Ristovski, Lutton (SM), Silva, Souness (SC), Hughes, Fairbrother (SBL), Caldwell (BC), Butler (APIA).
3. Kondarios (Foots), Baxter, Christopoulos (SM), Trenter (SC), Pillans (WA), J. O'Shea (St. G), Mariani, Henderson (Marc), Summerscales (Newc), Grulic (Can), Spearritt (BL), Coyne (BC), Marwe (AC).

GIANTS CLASH!

Heidelberg's ability to perhaps win the final four series will be put to the test when it meets 1979 Philips League champion Marconi at Olympic Park on Sunday.

Heidelberg gained its only bonus point of the season by beating Marconi 4-0 after the best of Marconi's players had returned from Auckland where they were in the Socceroo team that lost 0-1 to New Zealand.

The adverse effects of that international match were blamed for Marconi's hefty defeat and Les Scheinflug's men are determined to make amends this time.

The other vital match of the last round is between Sydney Olympic and St. George at St. George Stadium on Sunday. The loser will finish either last or second last, depending on how South Melbourne Hellas fares against APIA at Wentworth Park.

Weekend Philips League matches with likely winners in capitals:

IN NEWCASTLE
Newcastle KB United v FOOTSCRAY J.U.S.T. at International Sports Centre, Saturday 2.30 pm.

IN CANBERRA
Canberra City v SYDNEY CITY at Bruce Stadium, Sunday 3 pm.

IN SYDNEY
APIA - Leichhardt v SOUTH MELBOURNE at Wentworth Park, Sunday 3 pm.
Sydney Olympic v ST. GEORGE at St. George Stadium, Sunday 3 pm.

IN MELBOURNE
HEIDELBERG UTD v Marconi at Olympic Park, Sunday 3 pm.

IN ADELAIDE
ADELAIDE CITY v Brisbane Lions at Olympic Sports Field, Sunday 2.30 pm.

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This week's goalkeeper of the week is **MARTYN CROOK** of West Adelaide

By LAURIE SCHWAB

Brisbane City must beat West Adelaide at Perry Park to remain in fourth place and qualify for the finals. If City loses or draws, it will be replaced in the four by ADELAIDE City providing Rale Rasic's men beat the improved Brisbane Lions at home on Sunday.

But the match that will capture the public's imagination is the epic struggle between champion Marconi and second-placed Heidelberg.

The midfield trio of Jim Campbell, Ken Taylor and Jimmy Rooney could win the game for Heidelberg. These three are pitted against Marconi's midfield combination of Gary Byrne, Tony Henderson and perhaps Roberto Vieri.

Heidelberg's goal sneak Jamie Paton will push right up on Ivo Prskalo to restrict the space in which Prskalo can operate and to force him into

errors. Prskalo is a champion but he will find it extremely difficult to keep Paton in check for the whole game.

Statistics favor the Marconi attack ahead of the Heidelberg forward line. Mark Jankovics, Eddie Krncevic and Peter Sharn have scored 40 goals between them, whereas Cole, Buljevic and Paton have notched "only" 25.

Arthur McMillan and Jim Tansey, like Degney and Brogan at the other end, will by necessity be tied to defence to restrict the movements of Sharn in particular. When Sharn breaks, with Jankovics and Krncevic running parallel, he creates havoc.

This is a big match, well-suited to the big-match players in both teams. Marconi's Prskalo, Degney, Russell, Henderson, Byrne, Krncevic, Jankovics, Sharn and goalkeeper Allan Maher have all represented Australia and Vieri had a distinguished career in the Italian First Division.

Heidelberg's midfielder Jimmy Rooney, who won the Australian Player of the Year award in 1977 while captain of Marconi, has also captained the national team. Goalkeeper Yanka Banovic, sweeper Zdenko, left back Tansey, and strikers Cole and Paton are members of the Victorian State team which has beaten Partizan Belgrade, and AEK Athens this year.

Branko Buljevic, scorer of six goals in his 27 matches for Victoria since 1969, was in Australia's 1974 World Cup team in West Germany, as was Jimmy Rooney.

Senior representative details of all the Socceros on display in this game are shown below. The first figure indicates total games played for Australia, the second represents full international matches and the last indicates the number of goals scored for the national team.

- MARCONI**
Allan Maher, goalkeeper — 28/14/0
Ivo Prskalo, sweeper — 1/0/0
John Russell, stopper — 2/1/0
Paul Degney, left back — 3/1/0
Gary Byrne, midfielder — 42/20/0
Tony Henderson, midfielder — 3/1/0
Eddie Krncevic, forward — 2/1/0
Mark Jankovics, forward — 7/2/1
Peter Sharn, forward — 7/3/0

- HEIDELBERG**
John Zdenko, sweeper — 2/0/0
Jim Tansey, left back — 19/7/0

Former Footscray team mates Joe Palinkas and Mendo Ristovski were active in the big victories of Footscray and South Melbourne at the weekend. At right, Palinkas, who scored twice from penalties, salutes another goal by Mirko Rujovic (left). Ristovski is pictured below, beating Ian Rathmell in South's 4-0 thrashing of Brisbane City. The picture at right is by LES SHORROCK and the one below by STEVE CHATZIS.



Albion set for liquor licence?

Albion Rovers may be the first Victorian club to be granted a full liquor licence.

The Town Planning Appeals Tribunal last week rejected protests against the proposed licence.

Albion Rovers will now apply to the Licensing Court. Club president Dave Berry said this week he believed Albion now has a good chance of being granted the licence.

COSMOS WILL COACH

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Mr. Weinstein denied reports that the VSF was upset about International Artists jumping onto the bandwagon. "On the contrary," Mr. Weinstein said, "the extra games and the publicity will only increase interest in the tour and can only boost the attendance at Olympic Park."

"It also presents an opportunity to compare the performances of Victoria and Australia against the Cosmos. We are proud of our State team and I think it will do better than the Socceros."

Cosmos' match fee is \$50,000. To promote the matches International Artists plans to spend \$50,000 in Sydney and \$30,000 in Newcastle. In addition, the company will pay the national team a \$15,000 match fee and KB United about \$10,000.

Admission prices in Sydney will be \$5 for the outer, \$10 for good grandstand seats and \$3.50 for children. In Newcastle the charges will be \$5 for the outer, \$10 for grandstand and \$3 for children.

The Cosmos were due to leave the U.S. this week. They will play in Hong Kong, Tokyo, Singapore and Kuala Lumpur as well as in Australia.

During the Australian visit, they will run coaching clinics in Melbourne, Sydney and Newcastle.

The star players will run the clinics — Bechenbauer, Carlos Alberto, Vladimir Bogicovic, Wim Rijsbergen, Johan Neeskens, Francisco Marinho, Georgio Chinaglia etc.

Former national team captain Johnny Warren has been engaged by International Artists as a consultant to help promote the tour.

The partners in International Artists are Ralph Lynch, Ron Kitchin, Christine Finke, and Ian Franklin.

The make-up of the Australian team that meets the Americans in Sydney will depend upon which PSF clubs reach the final of the top four series. The first leg of the two-legged final will be played on October 28 — only four days after the game against Cosmos.

If Marconi, for example, is in the final, there is little chance that Marconi players will be released for the representative match.

Vics' tour

Victoria will send a State youth team to Malaysia and Thailand in December.

Fares for the Victorians will be paid by the Malaysian Ministry of Education.

Victoria will play two matches in Malaysia, one in Thailand and one in Singapore. The team will comprise boys eligible to play in the 1981 world youth tournament, meaning they will have to be in the 16-17 age group.

All-out attack paid off for 'The Boss'

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would get the proverbial "bullet."

Lions stuck by him and he took the team up to a respectable mid-table position.

Yet ironically the following season he parted with the club and again was off the coaching scene until Adelaide City sacked Edmund Krefit and Scheinflug took over.

Success eluded him once more but the club seemed to be happy with him and it was a surprise when he returned to Sydney in a swap-over of coaches, as Rale Rasic went to Adelaide.

Throughout Scheinflug's ups and downs he had one thing in his favour, the prestige associated with him as a former captain of Australia and more especially as assistant coach to the national team under Rale Rasic.

In recent times the Rasic-Scheinflug relationship has deteriorated but Rasic definitely had an influence on Scheinflug.

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Vieri missed by Marconi

MARCONI 2
SYDNEY OLYMPIC 0
Scorers: Byrne pen. 20th, Sharnie 77th
Ground: Beasley Park
Crowd: 5400
Weather: Fine
Referee: Tony Beazleigh 6
Cautions: Jennings (50), Byrne (M).

Marconi clinched the Phillips League championship with an effortless 2-0 win over Sydney Olympic, which pushed the Pratten Park team into deeper relegation trouble.

Two rounds ago Marconi was declared the new league champion after beating APIA by the same margin. However, with the bonus points system in operation, Marconi was far from safe and before this game could have been "caught" by two second placed teams.

With Brisbane City losing to South Melbourne and Sydney City getting hammered at Heidelberg, Marconi's title was safely tucked away by Marconi.

The champions, however, failed to impress. For most of the first half, without the general, Roberto Vieri, Marconi strode aimlessly about the park in search of a goal. With Billy Palmer following Peter Sharnie everywhere, Vieri being covered by the league's top marksman, Mark Jankovic, Marconi ran into stiff opposition.

To make matters worse for Marconi, Dave McIntosh made sure that Eddie Krncevic didn't make an impression in the Olympic's box and the game developed into a dull struggle with neither team able to break and score.

Sharnie managed to break away from Palmer for an instant in the first half. It was in the 20th minute, with Sharnie racing into the area, that he had the ball at his feet. Palmer made a late tackle on the Marconi winger and the referee, Mr Beazleigh, awarded Marconi a penalty.

Byrne converted to put his team 1-0 up.

Andy Scott almost surprised Alan Maher with a gliding header in the 32nd minute and Peter Brogan almost scored from 40 metres with a chip that finished over the head of Meier and just past the upright.

With minutes ticking away in the first half, Mark Jankovic made a fine break on the right before crossing to Ken Lindsay at the far post. It looked a fairly simple opportunity, but instead of trapping the ball, Lindsay headed straight into the path of a waiting defender.

Richie Bell rose above Marconi's defence in the last minute of the first period to head just above the crossbar.

Eaton came on for Jamieson in the 46th minute to add thrust to Olympic's forward line but to no avail. Marconi's defence was in fine form and stopped everything that Olympic delivered.

The Olympic forward line has a lot of thrust, but I think that in this game as in most of the previous games, the forwards weren't served properly.

Had that happened, Jennings, Eaton and Scott could have scored more often.

Jankovic latched onto a fine cross by Prskalo to head just over the bar, then Degney shot straight at Meier when most felt he had a fairly simple opportunity.

With Marconi failing to convert its chances, Olympic almost snatched an equaliser. Clive Eaton found space inside Marconi's box and with Prskalo trying desperately to cover, Eaton unleashed a powerful drive that was brilliantly saved by "Spider" Maher.

Some ten minutes later, in the 76th minute, Marconi made sure of its win. Eddie Krncevic placed his ball past behind Bell and Palmer and with Sharnie running between the two defenders, Meier was committed to come forward and face the "Express".

Sharnie ran around him before slotting the ball into the net from an acute angle to give his side a well deserved win.

With the exception of a few players, Marconi lacked the famous killer punch, the zest that has earned them a lot of bonus points and although they won the championship they would need to improve to win the "Top Four".

In defence, Prskalo was magnificent yet again, and with Brogan covering Jennings and Russell making life difficult for Scott, Maher had a fairly easy time in goal.

To make their attack more effective, Marconi must have more zest in midfield and certainly more creativity.

Jovanovic is the master

FOOTSCRAY JUST 5
APIA-LEICHHARDT 1
Goals: Picioane 8th (Foots), O'Donnell 14th (APIA), Ollerton 23rd, Palinkas penalty 55th, Rujovic 65th, Palinkas penalty 77th (all Foots).
Ground: Middle Park.
Weather: Strong wind down the ground.
Crowd: About 2500.
Referee: Don Campbell (SA) 10.

Cautions: Turnbull, Dempsey, Drews (APIA), O'Reilly, Hazabett (Foots).

"We've been threatening to do this for a long time," Footscoach J.U.S.T. coach Bobby McLachlan said after this remarkable victory. "It was a victory which would have been even more resounding had shots by Zdravko Lujic and Joe Palinkas not hit the post."

APIA coach Ray Richards made no excuses. "I told the boys before the game that this is a side that will tear you to pieces if you let them. We let them play and we paid the penalty."

"I brought Rob McGinn into the side because I thought he could hold Lujic but as it turned out, Lujic skinned him."

Asked about his coaching future, Richards said his appointment for next season had been confirmed. "But I'll have to make sure we don't get any more results like this," he said.

McLachlan and the rest of the Footscray camp. The Footscray midfield, led by Stobich and Jovanovic, who turned in a faultless performance, laid the blueprint for this victory.

McLachlan instructed Jovanovic, Mirko Rujovic and Joe Picioane to nullify the APIA midfield but after 15 minutes, it was the Footscray trio that was calling the shots.

Peter Ollerton, playing as central striker, had probably his finest match since joining Footscray during the off-season. It was his pass that enabled Picioane to score the first goal, he scored a goal himself and his constant play sent Lujic and Palinkas away on the wings time and time again.

Footscray's midfield trio tackled tirelessly and intercepted intelligently, so that when Footscray lost possession, it regained the ball in midfield before APIA could reach the striking line.

The required a high work rate from all players. In comparison, the APIA men were downright lazy.

Here's how the goals were scored.

8th min. Ollerton, out on the left, spears a beautiful ground pass through the middle for Picioane running in, and Picioane spears the Woodhouse who had been one of the jitters during his nightmare first half.

14th min. Jim Kondarios and Jim O'Reilly pay the penalty for slack marking when Brian O'Donnell left unattended at the edge of the penalty area, slams home APIA's equaliser.

23rd: Lujic darts past McGinn about 35 metres from goal on the left flank, and runs all the way to the goal line, with Ollerton parallel. Lujic cuts it back and Ollerton heads home, off Woodhouse's grasping hands, to put Footscray back into the lead.

55th: Jovanovic sends Palinkas away on the right flank and Palinkas attempted cross hits Peter Wilson on the arm. Referee Don Campbell intervened after the game that he is convinced Wilson handled on purpose. Footscray players are undecided about who is to take the penalty. Finally, Palinkas steps up and puts it away, to the left of Woodhouse, 3-1.

65th: Ollerton, in the right back position, slips the ball to Palinkas who goes all the way up the line, playing a one-two with Jovanovic on the way. When he is far enough forward, Palinkas squares the ball into the middle when Lujic and Dempsey go for it. The ball goes behind them to Rujovic who has followed the move all the way, and he side-shoots it home on the volley. 4-1.

77th: A through ball by Picioane sends Lujic away in a break. Lujic dribbles around Dempsey inside the penalty area and Dempsey, in desperation, floors him with a foul tackle.

Referees point to the spot and, as Dempsey rushes at him manically to protest, shows him the yellow card. Again, Palinkas takes the kick and again, he scores to make the

City defence incompetent

SOUTH MELBOURNE 4
BRISBANE CITY 0
Scorers: Ristovski 63rd, Christopoulos 82nd, Evans 85th & 89th.
Ground: Middle Park.
Weather: Strong wind down the ground.
Crowd: About 5000.
Referee: Stewart Mellings (Vic) 9.

Cautions: Rathmell (BC).

Brisbane City's much-vaunted defence — which had been described as one of the strongest in the PSL — looked downright incompetent during South Melbourne's best raids.

One wonders what George Potter in his mind. He was supposed to be the sweeper but the back four was square for most of the game. During South's three-goal blitz late in the game, Potter was caught way out of position. There was no 'last man' to cut off the attacks.

Ian Rathmell at right back, also had a shocker.

Brisbane City made an unwise move in replacing left midfielder Larry Gaffney had done a lot of enthusiastic running and had constructed many good forward moves. When he left, the flank was open for South Melbourne to exploit. Two of the three late goals were the results of moves down this side.

South Melbourne cut loose when Alan Evans came into play during the second half. He and Alan Davidson at left back had been the more notable failures during the first half. Evans had been slow to the ball, he had made poor positions and had shown little fight. Davidson had been committing himself foolishly and had been beaten by Kevin Low.

The other came from a header by George Christopoulos after a free kick from Lutton who had been fouled at the corner of the penalty area.

Brisbane City's most impressive players were Kevin Lutton who was a constant threat to the Hellas defence and midfielder John Coyne who was tough and relentless in his defensive duties and who worked the ball forward with a lot of power.

The best Hellas player overall was, in my opinion, right back Mike Pye who opened up intelligently, offering himself in every move out of defence, and was also at worst in his battles with opposing forwards. Pye's raids down the flank were most damaging, and unlike a few of the other players, he produced his best over the full 90 minutes rather than during only one half.

Hellas dominated with the wind until about 15 minutes from half time when Coyne, Gaffney, Low and Mark Brusasco took over. But it was against the strong wind that Hellas scored its four goals.

Bertie Lutton, who did a good job in midfield, should have scored at least one of his minutes when he was alone to meet a cross by Ristovski but Lutton shot way over the bar.

In a rare City attack, Rathmell played a short pass to the penalty area but Brusasco missed from 15 metres.

Two minutes from half time, Low had another chance but his shot was stopped by the outstretching leg of goalkeeper Dennis Boland. Then, Coyne volleyed over the top from a cross by Low.

The rout started in the 63rd minute. Evans, on the right flank, beat the half back, went on a short sprint and sent a quick ball through for Ristovski who darted clear of the defence and speared the ball low past Wishart for the first goal.

George Christopoulos made it 2-0 by heading home Lutton's free kick in the 82nd minute and goalkeeper Boland preserved that lead by making an unconvincing save, punching out with both fists a shot by Low that was so powerful it almost knocked Boland over.

Three minutes later, Stuart Baxter slipped the ball to Evans who went all the way down the right flank, slipped the ball to Ristovski and kept running, calling for Ristovski's through ball. Ristovski speared it through and Evans, unmarked, stepped around Wishart and slammed home the third goal.

With only seconds left, the City defenders failed miserably once again when they left Evans alone 10 metres from goal. Ristovski played in a square ball and Evans nonchalantly side-footed it past Wishart for the bonus point.

West robbed of penalty?

ADELAIDE CITY 1
WEST ADELAIDE 0
Scorers: Northcote 86th
Crowd: 10,000
Ground: Olympic Sports Field.
Weather: Fine.
Cautions: Kambas (West), Dadds (City).
Referee: Tim Davies 9.

Adelaide City stayed on course on a top four berth with a decisive 1-0 win against West Adelaide at Olympic Sports Field.

In a tense encounter, West Adelaide had a slight edge in the first half, but City gradually wore it down after half time and deserved both the points.

Brian Northcote clinched the match in the 86th minute with a firm ground shot after Dixie Deans had made the opening.

West, which has been plagued by injuries this season, suffered a major setback before the start when midfielder Peter Boyle withdrew with a throat infection.

West looked sharp from the beginning and within two minutes John Kosmina, closely marked by Bobby Russell, headed softly over the bar.

Referee Tim Davies flashed a yellow card to Ken Kambas for a crude tackle on John Nyskhus in the 14th minute.

West created a major scoring chance in the 28th minute when Peter Tymczyszyn hit a lightning drive at Peter Marshall who fumbled the ball.

Norris pounced on it, but Marshall blocked the attempt.

Earlier, midfielder Charlie Villani limped off the field and was replaced by striker Dixie Deans.

City began to show the first signs of taking a grip on the match in the 32nd minute when Agner Mouniz found some space and shot from 15 metres but Martin Crook, in superb touch, blocked the attempt.

Two minutes later, Chris Kent broke clear on the right wing and hit a vicious curling shot which Crook tipped over the bar.

At the other end, Kosmina broke clear and hit a magnificent left wing cross which Marshall cut it out brilliantly.

City continued its dominance after the break but Crook kept them out when he blocked a 25 metre scorcher from Nyskhus.

Marshall was injured in the 53rd minute after a clash with Garry Donlevy, but carried on although it was clear he could not continue.

Rale Rasic was reluctant to substitute him and was heckled and booed by City fans.

They had cause to voice their opinions because just before he came off Ian McGregor almost dipped a shot inside the far corner.

Clearly, a fit Marshall would have stopped the ball.

Rasic then walked over the Marshall's goal checked with him and eventually made the substitution.

Replacement goalkeeper Rick Migliaccio showed that Rasic had little to worry about.

He did not make a mistake in the 35 minute stay in goal.

Meanwhile, Crook was giving an immaculate exhibition at the other end and diverted a Deans shot with his right leg.

However he saved his best work until the 75th minute when he made an amazing recovery to keep out a Nyskhus shot which looked certain to enter an open goal.

City launched a savage onslaught in the last 15 minutes but Crook and some bad luck looked like ruining their efforts.

But Northcote finally got the break to the delight of the City fans.

However, West roared back into action in the last few minutes and had an appeal for a penalty (a City player appeared to handle the ball) rejected.

And moments later Nick Pantaras, West's teenage full back destined for international honours along with Villani, struck a searing 30 metre shot which Migliaccio turned around the post with a splendid dive.

The defeat was West's fifth in the last six matches. City played so well against City that the other City, Brisbane, will have to be at its best on Sunday.

Saints lifted by Katholos

ST. GEORGE 1
NEWCASTLE 1
Scorers: St. George
Grosse Newcastle - Boden
Ground: St. George Stadium
Crowd: 3175
Weather: Fine with winds
Referee: Witschgo 6

St George took a vital point off Newcastle in a 1-1 draw at St. George Stadium which will be enough to save the club from relegation.

St. George took the game to Newcastle for the first 30 minutes keeping the ball on the ground and stretching the Newcastle defence to the limit.

Peter Katholos, who played a starring role for St. George in midfield, almost put the side in front in the fourth minute.

After skillfully beating three defenders he chipped the ball over Newcastle goalkeeper Phil Dando, but the ball rebounded into play off the crossbar.

Six minutes later Dando tipped a certain goal from John O'Shea's 35 metre free kick over the bar, but two minutes later St. George deservedly hit the lead.

Roy Cotton cleverly used an overhead kick to cross the ball from the edge of the penalty area and Brendan Grosse headed home from close range.

Newcastle was unable to master the wind and St. George continued to dominate and create chances.

In the 22nd minute Roy Drinkwater cleared another Grosse header off the goal line and Peter Hensman had his follow up drive cleared by a wall of Newcastle fans.

St. George abandoned its neat constructive football 15 minutes before the interval for a resort to a kick and run style which allowed Newcastle back into the game.

With the pressure taken off the defence, Newcastle was able to build attacks with more time and precision and star striker, Ken Boden began to show his skill and class.

Twenty seconds after the interval Newcastle equalised.

Malcolm McLelland received the ball in midfield and his perfectly placed 40 metre pass cut out the entire St. George defence and gave Boden an easy opportunity to slip the ball into the corner of the net.

St. George was immediately forced back onto the defensive as McLelland and Arno Bertogna took control of the midfield to set Newcastle up for continual raids on the St. George goal mouth.

St. George lost its strong central defender Grosse with a head injury in the 61st minute, but the defence continued a strong rearguard action.

Despite its convincing win over Marconi in the last encounter at Bosley Park, I think that Heidelberg will have a much tougher proposition against the champions in Melbourne.

Not far behind Millman was the fearless Ontong, who this time played at right back and who looks to have made a permanent defender of himself. Considering his physique, Ontong would be one of the

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Rooney the powerhouse

SYDNEY CITY 1
HEIDELBERG UTD 3
Scorers: Syd. — Silva Haid, Taylor, Cole, Paton.
Ground: Wentworth Park.
Crowd: 1654.
Weather: Fine.
Referee: David Nugent 8.
Cautions: Bannon (H), Barnes (SC).

Heidelberg United, the team that didn't fare well in the first round of the 1979 championships, served notice in the 13th round by beating Sydney giants Marconi 4-0.

In its game against another Sydney giant, Sydney City, Heidelberg produced another upset to score an easy 3-1 victory and serve notice that it will be hard to beat in the top four competition.

Sydney City was weakened by the absence of Joe Watson, but still managed to put up some sort of resistance during the first 45 minutes of the game at Wentworth Park.

However, Heidelberg pounded Todd Clarke's goal and it was no surprise to see the visitors race into the lead after only ten minutes of play. Jim Campbell pushed the ball for Kenny Taylor, who surprised Clarke with a thunderbolt from some 30 metres to give visitors the lead.

With Heidelberg apparently in command, City retaliated through Kevin Mullen who found unmarked Hilton Silva inside the area and the nippy winger made no mistake from close range.

The last quarter of an hour of this half was possibly the only period of the match when the home team looked likely to get on even terms, but both defences held out until the dying seconds of this half.

Jimmy Rooney, still one of the best midfielders in the country, engineered a move that brought Heidelberg back into the lead. His pass found Gary Cole just outside the area and the tall forward made no mistake with the blistering shot that left City goalkeeper helpless.

Kevin Mullen made a fatal error with 16 minutes of the second half gone to allow Jimmy Paton to race in and score the third goal for the visitors and certainly the one that clinched victory.

Sydney City appeared listless, which was a surprise after some good showing in the last few weeks. The forward line seems to miss the skills and enterprise of Joe Watson, while the usually reliable defence looked shaky on many occasions.

Heidelberg had many fine individuals but none better than the evergreen Jimmy Rooney. His stamina and enthusiasm are still there and it is no surprise that most people say — When J.R. is playing well, so is Heidelberg.

On this performance, however, most of Heidelberg's players showed a lot of class and gave a warning to the champions from Fairfield that next week's game in Melbourne is not going to be that easy.

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Lions out of crisis

BRISBANE LIONS 3
CANNERRA CITY 0
Scorers: Hughes (2) 86th, 86th, Brennan 88th
Ground: Perry Park
Crowd: 1500
Weather: Fine and warm
Referee: Peter Ramplay 9
Cautions: Nil

Brisbane Lions secured the two points which made sure of the club's Phillips League survival when a later surge enabled it to crush Canberra City 3-0 at Perry Park.

Lions found itself in a similar position to the previous home match, when they played Sydney Olympic.

Lions made every attempt to go for goals and found the going tough against a basically defensively minded Canberra City, which could not be blamed for that attitude, considering its own position.

Kenny Kawalewa and Steve Hogg played as deep lying midfielders in front of Moulis, Milovanovic and Brown, with the result that for most of the game, Lions found it almost impossible to find a path to goal.

Not that Lions did not at least try to beat that fair through, with Brennan, Fairbrother, Hughes and Conner up front maintaining spirited efforts in Lions time of crisis.

Lions made more openings in the scoreless first half but the only real chance came from a corner between Conner and Eddi Spearritt.

The ball was flicked on by Col Bennett and Fairbrother's shot through the crowded goalmouth was halted on the goal line.

With Canberra employing a limited forward line, Hermon, Bennett and Lownds were not unduly worried, although Hughes, MacLaren, Perry, Byrne and Isaac Farrell at times showed plenty of skill.

Millman speared two solid headers towards goal, one of which Kawalewa managed to divert, but MacLaren and Perry were not able to put pressure on his own goal when a risky back pass in front of MacLaren almost caught Lownds out.

Hosozowski dived brilliantly to point out a Fairbrother shot, which was headed for the corner and again it seemed Lions determination was to go unrewarded.

But in the 66th minute, the flood-gates opened and Alan Hughes nipped in to score possibly his most vital goal of the season.

Righthack Ontong crossed and it was perfectly weighted ball which Spearritt ducked under, allowing Hughes to move in and beat Hosozowski from an extremely acute angle.

Lions withstood some heavy pressure as Canberra pitched forward, but in the end that situation also caused further downfall, and Lions piled on three goals in the last four minutes.

Spearritt passed to Brennan on the left wing, who shoved the ball in front of him and Hughes burst through to slam his second goal past Hosozowski.

Spearritt also had a hand in the third goal and Hosozowski this time simply stood in despair as Brennan cracked his shot past the left hand corner.

Time ran out for the chance of a bonus point, a pretty common occurrence in this second last round, but after the results were known, Lions did not need it and happily saluted its supporters for the last time at Perry Park.

The club will move next year to its headquarters at Richards and now that survival is guaranteed, the big development plans will go ahead full scale.

Overall the match was a pretty clear example of two teams which have struggled long and hard all season, and they must hope there are better things in store next year.

Picking the best players was not as difficult as it has been in the past Lions games.

For sheer effort the top men on each side would have been Lions' Millman and Canberra's Kawalewa, who has been a great servant for the club since the PSL began.

Like Millman, Kawalewa is not over endowed with brilliant skills, but many coaches would be happy to have 11 players of similar workrate in their teams.

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Karingal United (above), the up and coming Peninsula team.

Karingal Utd is after glory

Karingal Utd may play a big part in the rapid growth of soccer on the Frankston Peninsula.

The Provisional League Second Division club has taken a back seat while Frankston City and Frankston Pines have led the soccer boom in the area, but now Karingal aims to be a power.

The club is banking on its juniors to bring success to the club. Karingal has excellent facilities for juniors, with teams ranging from under 7 to under 13.

The club's executive, led by president Peter Burroughs, will adopt a more professional approach.

"Unfortunately, with so many teams in the area, it's hard to get members," said Burroughs. "However, with our grounds and facilities we should be in the State League and we are planning to go up as quickly as possible."

Karingal finished a respectable seventh this season, and have some good players.

The most well-known player is former Footscray JUST goalkeeper Milan Cvijic, who joined the club at the start of this season. He is assistant coach as well as a player.

He played for JUST for five years, and won several honors including State League championships, State League Cup winners' medal, Ampol Cup winners' medal and a Dockerty Cup winners' medal.

Cvijic played in the Yugoslav First and Second Divisions, and his last club before coming to Australia was Orient of Rijeka.

Karingal's coach is another ex-Footscray JUST player, Misa Kovacev.

Karingal's leaders are: P. Burroughs (president), R. Macleod (secretary), K. Cudrey (treasurer), A. Hutchings (vice-president, seniors), T. Allsopp (vice-president, juniors), J. Black (vice president, social), J. Tweedie (club manager), B. Clarke (property officer), D. Twaites (assistant secretary) and N. Plaskett (assistant treasurer).

Anyone interested in joining the progressive Karingal club should contact Alan Hutchings on (Frankston) 789 1612.



Milan Cvijic is carried off the ground by jubilant Footscray JUST supporters. Goalkeeper Cvijic is now with Karingal.



Cvijic clowns about in typical style after making a save. No. 5 is Jimmy Milisavljevic, and Alan Parrott is at right.

Promoted again



South Oakleigh clinched promotion for the second successive season when it won the Provisional League Division Two championship.

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And as an added bonus to Souths, striker Lou Stergiou is likely to be the top goalscorer in the Provisional League with 27 goals.

The team is pictured above. Standing (left to right) — G. Theoharis (president), P. Ballis (coach), P. Tsitiridis, G. Liarakos, T. Tolidis, J. Giannou, N. Thomopoulos, Cr. Pyrgos (secretary). Front row (left to right) — S. Babatsias, J. Agetzis, K. Tsitiridis, L. Stergiou, P. Pechlivandis, E. Kontokostas, T. Lioudakis.



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SATURDAY'S MIDDAY



KB United striker, Ken Boden, seems to pull back in alarm as Marconi goalkeeper, Allan Maher, soars high at the International Sports Centre.

Footscray no pushover

It will be a make-or-break match when Newcastle KB United meets Footscray in the final round of the Philips League championship at the International Sports Centre on Saturday.

Newcastle must win to get into the top four should the other candidates falter.

Alan Vest, KB United team's manager-coach, said he was not taking Footscray's opposition lightly.

"They beat us, two goals to nil, in the first round on their own ground and we want to wipe that out so I'll be fielding the best possible team. Both clubs will want to finish the competition on the highest note, so there'll be no let-harpy or beg pardons about this one."

One thing is certain. It is that there will be many

more fans at the International Sports Centre than there were at the Footscray club's ground. The crowd then was the lowest to watch KB United this season — a mere 1200.

The attendance will be sufficient to take KB United's aggregate crowd figures for the season to well past the 200,000 mark.

Already 125,472 have watched the 12 Philips League home matches. When figures for the Philips Cup and other official fixtures are added KB United has set a most impressive record of crowd support.

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WESTON BEST IN THE NORTH

Weston, one of the oldest Northern soccer clubs and top side in the South Maitland coalfields, has again won the Northern NSW Soccer Federation's club championship.

It's teams reached the top four in the three competition grades.

Weston has been a consistently top club since its foundation in the early 1900's. It is the only coalfields club to have won the Gardiner Cup, the highly valued trophy for a knock-out competition played in NSW for many years.

It has won many State and Northern premiership and cup competitions and has produced many topline players who

represented Australia, including the great goalkeeper, Jim McNabb who had the remarkable record of playing for the State in one season as a full-back and in the next as a goalkeeper.

One of its products, Jim ('Skeeta') Wilkinson, many times an international, made the most appearances in senior football of any player in Australia. He turned out for his club no less than 552 times in a highly successful career.

Big Bill has operation

Bill Summerscales, Newcastle KB United's reliable and popular defender, is a man who makes up his mind in a hurry — and then sticks to his decision.

He has been hampered by a cartilage injury for some time but has been trying to last out the season so that he could, as usual, give KB United his much valued help on the field.

He has ensured physical

fitness but the knee injury has restricted his playing freedom.

He was keen to play in the vital match against St George last Sunday but when the knee did not stand up to the test he gave it at training he decided that enough was enough.

"I could not guarantee that I would see out the match and that is not fair to coach Alan Vest, so I told him to count me out," said Summerscales.

"Having done that I was determined to have an operation to correct the problem immediately so that I'll have maximum time to be fit for next season."

Summerscales moved with speed once he decided on his course of action. He had the operation yesterday (Wednesday). It is reported to be successful and that he will be "as good as new" again — and ready for 1980.



KB United captain Roy Drinkwater, head bandaged to protect stitches in his forehead after an injury, outjumps Peter Sharpe of Marconi, in the match in which KB defeated the Philips League leader.

Services v. Uni's

A most important match will provide the early fixture to the KB United — Footscray fixture at the International Sports Centre on Saturday.

It will be between Australian Universities and Australian Combined Services teams.

This could be the forerunner of competitions between Service Eleveens and in Universities.

KB United officials are encouraging the possibilities of such competitions and have offered all possible aid.



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HIBERNIANS BEATS BIG GUNS IN MALTA

Hibernians has broken through the domination of Valetta, Sliema and Florina to win the league championship in Malta.

The Paola club has won four championships in its history, but has been in the wilderness for the past 10 years as the three giants controlled domestic soccer in Malta.

The new champion Hibernians came to power in a season when the method of deciding the league title was changed.

At the start of the season for the ten First Division clubs, the first four of last season's table were seeded. Two went into one group and the others into another.

The remaining six teams were drawn one by one to form two groups of five teams each, all of which played in a round-robin two

round preliminary League.

The first two in each group — Hibernians and Sliema from Group A and Valetta and Florina from Group B — went through to play in the championship pool. The remaining six teams played in a relegation pool, two of

which had to be relegated.

It was a system which brought great interest, particularly in the championship pool matches, which averaged a regular attendance of about 5,000, more than quite a satisfying crowd in Malta these days.

But the clubs in the relegation pool fared badly, for attendances were far below level and they never exceeded the 2,500 mark, even when a keen match was played.

Ghaxaq returned to the Second Division after only one season in the First — their first ever in

the top division. They were joined by Msida St. Joseph, who gained only three points in the relegation pool.

Next season, their places will be taken by B'Kara FC and Zebbug Rangers, who made a quick return to First Division football. Last year, they were relegated to the Second Division.

Charles Brincat, the M.A.S.A.F.C. midfielder/striker finished as the season's top scorer with 11 goals to his credit, most of them scored in the relegation pool matches (8).

(AFA News)



Zdenek Nehoda, the Czech national captain, is guarded by England's Viv Anderson.

English transfer madness: 'Managers must change'

Managers who blast about English soccer rushing headlong into financial suicide have the solution in their own hands, Gordon Taylor, the Players' boss, said.

The chairman of the Professional Footballers' Association defended his members with a stinging attack on managers, who have allowed transfer fees to rocket this summer.

"If anything it is our transfer system which will bring our game into financial collapse, not players' wage demands," he said.

"If you look at the structure of our football, we are in the bottom half of the world league when it comes to paying players. But our transfer market is the most inflated in the world — and

that's up to the managers to put right."

Replying to criticism that players have become too greedy, made notably by Liverpool manager Bob Paisley and Tottenham chairman Sidney Wale, Taylor said that players trying to break contracts was not as serious as the transfer madness which threatens to poison the English game.

"Thankfully more managers are coming round to our way of thinking that there should be a scale of fees when clubs cannot agree terms, like they have in Holland and Germany."

Taylor is worried that everyone expects the PFA to solve all soccer's ills, especially when players attempt to break long-term contracts by demanding a transfer, as the Everton trio Bob Latchford, Mike Pejic and Dave Thomas and Aston Villa's Andy Gray and John Gidman have done in the past few days.

"The clubs themselves have got to make a lead. They hold all the aces," he said. "Some players who have signed long contracts may have regrets. But you can't have your cake and eat it and players who want to break their contract purely for financial reasons will receive little sympathy from the PFA."

"Everyone seems to be

having a go at footballers and tarring them all with the same brush, when it is just a handful — and most of them have genuine reason for wanting a move.

"All the clubs are complaining, but I don't see why. They still hold the whip-hand if a player is under contract and it is only when his contract expires that we have negotiated what the Press has termed 'freedom' for him."

"Besides, we always advise players signing long-term contracts to have inflation clauses written in to protect them financially."

"If we expect clubs to honor their side of the bargain and we have used the courts to do so, then we must also expect players to honor theirs — unless they have genuine reason for not doing so."

Poland 2-0

Poland beat Switzerland 2-0 in a European soccer championships qualifying group four matches in Lasane last week.

Poland led 1-0 at halftime.

Goalscorer: Terlecki 2 (34 mins, 63 mins)

Attendance: 25,000

Argentina defeated

West Germany beat world champions Argentina 2-1 (half-time 0-0) in an international friendly in West Berlin last week.

Scorers: West Germany: Alfons and Rummenigge.

Argentina: Castro

Attendance: 50,000.



Kaiserslautern led the West German Bundesliga table for most of last season, only to be overtaken in the last few rounds by Hamburger SV which eventually took the title. Will Kaiserslautern be luckier this year? The squad, pictured, is, from left, back row: Wendt, Wagner, Mackensen, Schwarz, Bongartz, Dobiasch, Meier. Middle row: Feldkamp (coach), Melzer, Schamacher, Groh, Menges, Briegel, Neues, Mangold (assistant coach). Front row: Gey, Toppmoller, Stabel, Hallstrom, Pirrung, Riedl, Loch (massour).

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NEHODA — MASNY COMBO POWERS CZECHOSLOVAKIA

The greatest weapon of the Czechoslovakian national team, which will tour Australia during the summer, is captain and striker Zdenek Nehoda.

Nehoda, of army club Dukla Prague, has an incredible understanding in the national team with winger Marian Masny.

So impressive is their reputation in Europe, that the Czech pair is compared in strength with explosive Italian duo Paolo Rossi and Robert Bettiga.

Czech national manager Josef Venglos, the former national coach of Australia, is banking on Nehoda to produce something special when Czechoslovakia defends its European championship crown in Italy next year.

Nehoda is an enigma among professional soccer players. He's studying to be a lawyer at the University of Prague.

He's not so strongly built that he can crush his way through tackles. He prefers the more subtle approach. Wandering intelligently from one flank to another he is well able to empty a sound two-footed approach able to lay off the ball to his wingers or sup-

porting midfielders with either foot with equal precision.

And as Everton and Stuttgart discovered in the UEFA Cup last season, it doesn't pay to try to suffocate Nehoda out of a game. Faced with that sort of challenge he shields the ball and twists and turns to try to provoke the body-checks and the trips which then become the only way to hold him and thus present his team with a stream of free kicks in dangerous positions.

"Sometimes I get out on the left wing and stay there a while and the other team think my mind's not on the game," he says. "They couldn't be more wrong. There's only one thing on my mind throughout a match — getting the ball in the net. The only time I don't mind not scoring is when we win anyway."

It was Nehoda's facility near goal which first attracted Dukla after he played one season in the first division with Cottswaldy the club from which, years before, they had

made one of the greatest captures in right half Svatopluk Pluskal.

Within two years Nehoda was not only one of the most consistent marksmen in the league, but had made his international debut in the 1-1 draw against England in Prague on May 27, 1973.

The game was preparation for a trio of World Cup qualifying ties, but though Nehoda scored in each match against Denmark, and Scotland home and away, it wasn't enough and they missed out on the trip to West Germany.

Not only was the national team going through a bad spell, so were Dukla. Their last championship was now back in 1968.

It was a bleak outlook when the Czechs began their 1974-76 European championship programme. Nehoda was overlooked as the national team made an awful start with a 3-0 defeat at England's hands at Wembley. But it's an ill



Marian Masny (dark shirt) is defended by Dietz (left), Becke an international foe

wind that blows nobody any good, and that defeat — and the lack of attacking spirit displayed — forced manager Vlastislav Jizek to think again about his team.

Nehoda has been a regular ever since.

Nehoda looks back now on 1976 as the best days of his career.

In the first half of the season Nehoda scored 10 times to take Dukla well on the way towards their second championship in three years, and ensure for

More than 100 countries played in the qualification rounds of the 1979 FIFA-Coca Cola World Youth Cup, which indicates the importance of the competition.

The 1979 World Youth Cup in Japan was only the second such tournament, but already it has become a major event in world soccer.

Tunisia hosted the inaugural competition in 1977, and Australia will play host in 1979. FIFA will continue its policy of directing the World Youth Cup to countries which are 'underdeveloped' in the soccer sense.

However, the aim of the competition isn't just to provide smaller soccer nations with a taste of the 'big time'. To the contrary, the main purpose of the World Youth Cup is to give footballers 20 years or younger, the opportunity to develop their skills in a truly international sphere.

Argentina won the 1979 tournament, and no doubt many members of this youth team will progress to the full Argentina team, which is currently world champion.

Here listed are all the squads selected for Japan. Diego Maradona, for instance, is only one player on the way to international stardom. Others from the Japan tournament will follow him.

Sixteen teams played in Japan, and were grouped thus:

Group A (Tokyo) — Japan, Spain, Mexico, Algeria.

Group B (Osaka) — Poland, Yugoslavia, Argentina, Indonesia.

Group C (Kobe) — Canada, Portugal, Paraguay, Korea.

Group D (Yokohama) — USSR, Hungary, Uruguay, Guinea.

ALGERIA

Coach: Rabah Sedou, Mr. Rejouis.

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3. Lounici, Derr
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6. Aitout, Mohamed
7. Boudjem, Mohamed
8. Boudjem, Mohamed
9. Chik, Ali
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11. Djendel, Chabane
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Coach: Brian Clark.

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GUINEA

Coach: Nani Camara.

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HUNGARY

Coach: Gyula Pakosi.

1. Dicsi, Peter
2. Novak, Tibor
3. Jozsa, Miklos
4. Szabo, Laszlo
5. Varga, Andor
6. Racz, Antal
7. Balazs, Jozsef
8. Mikes, Agad
9. Dusa, Attila
10. Molnar, Gyula
11. Kertesz, Jozsef
12. Plesch, János
13. Molnar, Gyula
14. Kertesz, Jozsef
15. Szepesi, Sandor
16. Nagy, Karoly
17. Molnar, Gyula
18. Kertesz, Jozsef
19. Plesch, János
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21. Szepesi, Sandor
22. Kertesz, Jozsef
23. Molnar, Gyula
24. Kertesz, Jozsef
25. Plesch, János
26. Nagy, Karoly
27. Molnar, Gyula
28. Kertesz, Jozsef
29. Plesch, János
30. Nagy, Karoly

INDONESIA

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The disaster that created the Man. Utd legend

Manchester Utd. is 100 years old, but the legend of the club has been around only 21 years.

It was in 1958 that the Munich air disaster wiped out the Utd. team, but that tragedy created a legend.

Today, the club attracts over 1 million fans to their 21 home League matches at Old Trafford. They can boast, of over 100 supporters' clubs all over the world. All this from the Ashes of Munich.

The fact, that the club was reborn, is

due to three men — Sir Matt Busby, his assistant Jimmy Murphy, and Bobby Charlton.

Eight players died, among them, Duncan Edwards (21) of whom Bobby Charlton says: "He was the greatest. Compared to him, we were all like pigmies."

At the dreadful time, it seemed Manchester United were doomed as a club. But, Matt Busby, who had built this great team, had other ideas, as he lay so desperately close to death in an oxygen

tent at the Krankenhaus Rechts der Isar.

He gripped the arm of his friend and assistant manager Jimmy Murphy: "Keep the flag flying Jimmy!" he said. "Until I can get back to Old Trafford".

Murphy did just that, taking United to the FA Cup Final the same year. His biggest problem was Bobby Charlton, who didn't want to play soccer again, because he was so shattered at what had happened to his friends.

Murphy's answer was to send Charlton back to his hometown, among

the miners at Ashington. There he played with school friends in the backstreets, and gradually rediscovered his love of soccer. Within weeks, he had won the first of his 106 England caps. Busby used him, as the motivator to build a new United team, with Best and Law which won the European Cup in 1968, just 10 years after the accident.

Said Busby: "This is my greatest hour. I wanted to win the European Cup as a tribute to those who died."

FIFA News



Duncan Edwards

Keegan guides England

Kevin Keegan's influence on England's run in the European soccer championship was again obvious in the 1-0 Group One win over Denmark at Wembley last week.

Keegan, the European Footballer of the Year, played with a slight leg muscle strain, but still stood head and shoulders above the rest in industry and skill.

Often he managed to be at the centre of England's most positive midfield play and looked the biggest threat to the Danish goal as well.

Fittingly, he scored the goal which took England a step nearer the finals in Italy next year. They now head Group One by two points.

Transfers

The transfer market in Italy has settled down considerably in recent years. No longer is Italy the country with the most highly inflated fees.

That dubious honor now belongs to England.

Some of the major transfers in Italy during the start of the championship were:

Player	Fee	From	To
Paolo Rossi	£200,000	Lazio	Parma
Torres	£150,000	Inter	Juventus
Danielli	£140,000	Genoa	Lazio
Andersson	£100,000	Parma	Inter
Savolito	£240,000	Napoli	Bologna
Costantini	£280,000	Lancaster	Napoli
Laio	£200,000	Napoli	Inter
Seppelino	£180,000	Juventus	Roma

(Fee paid or to be paid)

BRIEF SANAL HITS HUNGARY

A controversial book on the ills of the country's domestic football has caused a storm in Hungary.

The book, written by well-known sports journalist Robert Zsolt, claims Hungary's 'amateur' First Division players receive hefty pay-

ments, that a large proportion of games are fixed and that Government funds are used to finance illegal activities.

The frightening thing for Hungarian soccer is that nobody has sued the author, as most insiders consider the diagnosis to be correct.

Sure, the soccer fraternity is outraged by the allegations, but no one can escape the reality that Hungarian soccer is in a mess.

The question is, how much is wrong, and what can be done to fix it?

Dr. Karoly Lakat, the recently-appointed national coach, paints a grim picture. "Our league football is not entertaining, our national team is a national disaster and our youth policy is a shambles," he said.

Let's take a closer look at Zsolt's controversial book. According to Zsolt heads of companies who sponsor foot-

ball teams regard the results and their teams' standing as proof of their own brilliant leadership.

These 'Socialist Maecenas' as the author calls them, use State funds to pay under-the-counter money to players, to finance transfer deals, and in many cases, to bribe the opposition. These are weighty accusations.

A small number of the fixed games, says Zsolt, are staged to cheat on the pools, but in the vast majority of cases, the shady deals 'buy' vital League points.

The payment of players is no earth-shattering revelation, it has been an open secret for years that such deals are made, but this is the first time that these 'facts' have appeared in print. What would

the Olympic Committee make of it for instance?

However, journalists are doing their best to discredit Zsolt's book. One writer said: "Such gutter-writing only encourages the loud-mouthed critics on the terraces, makes recruitment of youngsters more difficult, and destroys the credibility of the domestic competitions."

Another journalist said: "This book is full of inaccuracies, mistakes and outdated information. I know better stories — we all know better stories! Zsolt is out of touch with football, he sensationalises an import subject."

Yes, but are the allegations true or not, and what will be done about them? These are the questions that bother the onlooker because if the core is

that rotten, there is no hope for the future.

Zsolt's book does have its strange moments.

Zsolt advances an interesting new theory for Hungary's defeat in the 1964 World Cup Final. He says that the players of the 'wonder-team' were paid comparatively little for their exploits, but just before the fateful tournament in Switzerland, they were given big bonuses.

This satisfied, they were not motivated enough to win the Final.

He also has a false idea about earnings in the 'West'.

One doesn't know whether he refers to Denmark or Italy or W. Germany or Sweden

when he constantly talks about the mythical 'West.'

He says the Ferenc Bene earned \$12,000 (about 250,000 forints) in 1974 — "a sum which would not convince a player in the West to put his boots on."

Firstly, for instance, a Scottish pro would have been very glad to collect that sum in 1974, and secondly, Bene's earnings from football that year represented ten times the income of an average Hungarian worker.

Not many footballers in the 'West' can say that he is getting ten times as much as the average wage.

— Leslie Vernon in 'World Soccer'

Steve Daley a million dollar man

Steve Daley, 26, the Wolves and England B international midfielder star who had half a dozen top clubs chasing his services, eventually joined Manchester City for a then British record fee of 1-270,000 pounds. With Value Added Tax (VAT) and Levies the move cost Manchester City a total of 1,460,000 pounds.

Celtic's Danny McGrain who had over a year's absence through injury and made a comeback last April is again challenging for a place in Scotland's international team. And

From JIM COOK
Our European Correspondent

Bobby Lennox who was in Celtic's European Cup-Final winning side of 1967 is back again playing in the first team.

Gordon Hill, the former Manchester United and England winger now with Derby County, was sent off against Middlesbrough for swearing at the referee. He was fined two weeks wages (about 800 pounds) by Derby.

Former Hibs and Arsenal striker Alec Cropley who has been bogged with injury in-

cluding three leg breaks, is now with Aston Villa. He is once again on the sidelines with a cracked ankle bone and has entered hospital to have a pin inserted in the joint.

Bob Latchford, the Everton

and England centre, who is transfer listed has turned down a move to West Bromwich Albion. Latchford wants to play on the Continent.

When Norwich suffered their first defeat at Coventry it was Coventry City's 18 year old stand-in-keeper who defied City. Steve Murrell had played for the Coventry youth side earlier in the day and when first team keeper Jim Blyth

broke down with a back injury just before kick-off, the game started late to allow Murrell to be brought from the refreshment bar to play in the senior side and another 90 mins. of soccer.

Derby County who narrowly avoided relegation last season announced a profit of 217,000 pounds over the last financial year.

CUNNINGHAM'S GREAT DEBUT

England international Laurie Cunningham made a sensational

league debut for Real Madrid last week when he scored two goals to

set his new club on the road to a 3-1 victory over Valencia.

The 23-year-old colorado winger, who cost Real around one million sterling (£1.99 million dollars Aust.) from West Bromwich Albion, set the huge stadium alight when he pulled the home side back into the match after Valencia had gone a goal up.



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5. Jimenez, Jose
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- POLAND**
Coach: Bednorczyk, Marian
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2. Stawski, Jacek
3. Gąsienica, Robert
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- USSR**
Coach: Sergei Kharshakov/Nikolai Kislov
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- YUGOSLAVIA**
Coach: Ivan Toplak
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- PARAGUAY**
Coach: Salvador Braglia
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION ONE RESERVES

W	P	D	L	F	A	P
West Melbourne	21	13	4	3	10	30
Melbourne	21	11	2	4	10	22
Geelong	21	11	2	4	10	24
Port Melbourne	20	7	5	4	10	23
Burton	21	10	2	4	10	22
Geelong	21	10	2	4	10	22
Warrington	21	8	5	3	10	21
Clifton Hill	21	8	5	3	10	21
West End	21	8	5	3	10	21
Pascoe Vale	20	5	11	13	17	14
Hampden Wander	20	5	14	27	11	11
Melbourne	21	4	16	24	9	9

DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION TWO RESERVES

W	P	D	L	F	A	P
Cheltenham	17	16	0	7	13	34
Mitcham	18	12	4	5	22	28
Banksia	19	10	1	5	28	27
Geelong	19	10	1	5	28	27
East Carlton	19	10	1	5	28	27
Diamond Creek	19	7	5	4	10	23
Sandown	20	4	9	40	41	19
Varsian	18	3	7	22	36	14
Ascot	18	5	10	30	15	15
North Melbourne	19	3	10	29	12	12
Central Brunswick	18	1	16	15	10	7

DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION THREE RESERVES

W	P	D	L	F	A	P
East Carlton	19	12	4	3	22	28
Middle Park	18	11	3	4	25	25
Kellyville	18	10	1	5	28	27
Mitcham	18	10	1	5	28	27
Ascot	18	10	1	5	28	27
North Melbourne	18	10	1	5	28	27
Banksia	17	8	3	27	20	19
Diamond Creek	17	8	3	27	20	19
Cheltenham	17	8	3	27	20	19
Sandown	17	8	3	27	20	19
North Melbourne	19	3	10	29	12	12
Central Brunswick	18	1	16	15	10	7

DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION FOUR RESERVES

W	P	D	L	F	A	P
Central City	18	3	8	9	29	38
Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
Malvern City	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION FIVE RESERVES

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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION SIX RESERVES

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Central City	18	3	8	9	29	38
Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION ONE

W	P	D	L	F	A	P
West Melbourne	21	13	4	3	10	30
Melbourne	21	11	2	4	10	22
Geelong	21	11	2	4	10	24
Port Melbourne	20	7	5	4	10	23
Burton	21	10	2	4	10	22
Geelong	21	10	2	4	10	22
Warrington	21	8	5	3	10	21
Clifton Hill	21	8	5	3	10	21
West End	21	8	5	3	10	21
Pascoe Vale	20	5	11	13	17	14
Hampden Wander	20	5	14	27	11	11
Melbourne	21	4	16	24	9	9

DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION TWO

W	P	D	L	F	A	P
Cheltenham	17	16	0	7	13	34
Mitcham	18	12	4	5	22	28
Banksia	19	10	1	5	28	27
Geelong	19	10	1	5	28	27
East Carlton	19	10	1	5	28	27
Diamond Creek	19	7	5	4	10	23
Sandown	20	4	9	40	41	19
Varsian	18	3	7	22	36	14
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North Melbourne	19	3	10	29	12	12
Central Brunswick	18	1	16	15	10	7

DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION THREE

W	P	D	L	F	A	P
East Carlton	19	12	4	3	22	28
Middle Park	18	11	3	4	25	25
Kellyville	18	10	1	5	28	27
Mitcham	18	10	1	5	28	27
Ascot	18	10	1	5	28	27
North Melbourne	18	10	1	5	28	27
Banksia	17	8	3	27	20	19
Diamond Creek	17	8	3	27	20	19
Cheltenham	17	8	3	27	20	19
Sandown	17	8	3	27	20	19
North Melbourne	19	3	10	29	12	12
Central Brunswick	18	1	16	15	10	7

DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION FOUR

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Central City	18	3	8	9	29	38
Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
Malvern City	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION FIVE

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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION SIX

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West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION SEVEN

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Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION EIGHT

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Central City	18	3	8	9	29	38
Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION NINE

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Central City	18	3	8	9	29	38
Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION TEN

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Central City	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION ELEVEN

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Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
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DISTRICT LEAGUE - DIVISION TWELVE

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Vernon	18	3	8	9	29	38
West Brunswick	18	3	8	9	29	38
Malvern City	18	3	8	9	29	38
Cheltenham	18	3	8	9	29	38
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strongly against the wind in the first 15 minutes after half time, in what was the only decent period of play.

During this time Cullen headed just over after a McMillan cross and with Gardiner caught out of position, McMillan passed to Cullen, who beat Kokoska. But the opportunity was wasted when



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— VICTORIAN STATE LEAGUE ROUND UP

with Kyle Patterson

Billy Wilkinson became the 20th coach in the Victorian State League this season when he succeeded Dave Maclaren, who parted company with George Cross last week.

Maclaren, who was manager of South Melbourne early this season, was with George Cross for only 11 games.

His departure was a mutual decision, according to an official statement by George Cross.

"I had no intention of staying with George Cross next season," said Maclaren. "I was brought in when the

Maclaren out, Wilkinson in

club was in danger of relegation, and my job was to make sure the club stayed in the State League.

"I achieved this aim, and so there was no point in me staying any longer. Because of business, I couldn't really afford to devote any more time to soccer."

George Cross spokesman Alf Zahra said: "George Cross

is satisfied with the performance of Dave Maclaren. He came to the club at a difficult time."

Wilkinson, who coached George Cross at the start of the 1978 season, will control the team for the final game against Croydon City. No decision has been made about the George Cross coaching position for the 1980 season.

Only five clubs — Preston Makedonia, Prahran Slavia, Green Gully Ajax, Juventus and Frankston City — have not changed coaches this season.

AJAX WOEFUL!

AJAX 0
GEORGE CROSS 1

Scorer: Cowan 70th.
Ground: Green Gully Reserve.

GREEN GULLY AJAX:
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nie), Donaldson, Kiarin, Chilly
— Vojtek, Parton, Vassallo —
Sogi, Porkin, Beller.

GEORGE CROSS: Matason
— Cutajar, Maitland, Hooper,
Barron — Graham, Morgan,
Castiello — Bernard (Mizil),
Cowan, Thom.

George Cross won the honors in the Maltese derby at St Albans, and in so doing inflicted Green Gully Ajax's seventh home defeat of the season.

Green Gully, the Ampol Cupholder, has probably the worst home record of any

State League club. Ajax has collected 16 points in 21 championship games, but only five of those points were won at home.

The home successes were against Croydon City (3-1), Juventus (1-1), Hakoah (1-1) and Albion (1-1).

Green Gully has the dismal home goalscoring record of eight for the 21 against. Green Gully Reserve is certainly no lucky ground for Bill Vojtek and his team.

George Cross regained some of its lost pride with a victory over Gully. A goal by Tony Cowan in the 70th minute gave the 'Cross a deserved victory.

Cowan headed home Martin Graham's cross to put George in the lead, but the goal had the reverse effect of lifting Ajax's effort.

Green Gully was woeful for most of the game, and only looked dangerous in the last 20 minutes. Coach Bill Vojtek described the performance as his team's worst this year.

George Cross, with Norm Maitland, Tony Castiello, Derek Barron and John Bernard leading the charge, dominated the play.

Green Gully's line up was altered at the last minute when midfielder Steve Bennie failed to arrive on time. His place was taken by Fred Beller.

Defender Jamie O'Donnell was dropped and replaced by youngster Steve Crilly.

John Bernard made his first appearance for many weeks. It is reported that former coach Dave Maclaren and Bernard didn't see eye to eye.

Voting

This week's votes in the General Tourist Travel Service — 'Soccer Action' State League player of the year award:

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2 Castiello (Geo)
1 Barron (Geo)
SUNSHINE v CROYDON
3 Murphy (C)
2 Brogan (C)
1 Pongho (C)
MAKEDONIA v CROATIA
3 Cumming (C)
2 Lesbirel (M)
1 Gardiner (C)
ALTONA v FRANKSTON
3 Cooper (F)
2 Gramsbergen (A)
1 Tulloch (F)
JUVENTUS v HAKOAH
3 Topolanski (H)
2 Della Rocca (J)
1 Reilly (J)
ALBION v SLAVIA
3 McCormack (A)
2 Reilly (A)
1 Cullen (S)
Leading votegetters —
26 McGuinness (Juve)
24 Cullen (Alb)
20 Cumming (Croat)
17 Williams (Slav)
14 Pongho (Croy), T. Young (Frank), Ellis (Suns)
13 R. Nelson (Suns)
12 Gilder (Croat), C. Lucchesi (Juve)
11 Adams, B. Young (Frank), Cowan (Geo), Loh, Topolanski (Hak), Aldridge (Slav)
10 D'Sylva (Alb), Hooper (Geo), Ward (Mak)
Leading goalscorers —
15 Ward (Mak)
13 Gilder (Croat)
10 Swincoe, Milton (Frank)
9 Brogan (Croy), Cumming (Croat), Paparas (Geo), Loh (Hak), McGuinness, C. Lucchesi (Juve), McMillan (Mak)
8 Monaghan (Slav)
7 McCormack (Alb), Culina (Croat), Cowan (Geo), Cullen (Mak)
6 D'Sylva (Alb), Taylor, Crow (Alb), Murphy (Croat), Perkins (Ajax), Crino (Juve).

Cullen, McGuinness vie for big prize

The duel between super-strikers Robert Cullen of Preston and Bobby McGuinness of Juventus will highlight the fascinating final round of the Victorian State League.

Seven clubs are involved in epic struggles which will decide the relegation, championship and final four issues, but the battle between McGuinness and Cullen could be the most intense of all.

The two ace forwards are fighting over a trip for two to New Zealand — the prize for the 'Soccer Action' State League player of the year.

McGuinness (26 votes) and Cullen (24 votes) are the only players left in the running for the award, which is sponsored by General Tourist Travel Service of 365 Victoria St, Abbotsford.

The factor which makes this clash so exciting is that the players will be opposed to each other in the final round. Both will be out to score goals and win votes during the Preston Makedonia v Juventus game at B. T. Connor Reserve this Sunday.

Previous winners of the 'Soccer Action' player of the year award are: 1976 Steve Koskas, 1977 Mike Rainey and 1978 John Vazdearn.

Without doubt, the 1979 State League season has been the most dramatic and exciting for many years. Not many competitions anywhere in the world could boast such a thrilling climax as the Victorian State League will have this weekend.

Let's focus first of all on the championship issue, in which

Essendon Croatia, Frankston City and Preston Makedonia are the contenders.

Essendon is the favorite as it leads the table with 28 points and a better goal difference than Frankston City, which also has 28 points.

Croatia has a difficult game against Altona City at Olympic Park, and must win, as Frankston City is favorite to defeat Green Gully at home.

However, Frankston City coach Freddy Bunce is not confident of Altona City up-setting Croatia.

"Frankston played Altona last weekend, and on that form will not worry Essendon," said Bunce.

A draw may not be enough for Croatia, as Frankston is sure to throw everything into its game with Ajax.

Preston wishes for both teams to lose are unlikely to materialise, and the Makedonia team may have to settle for third position.

In any case, Makedonia is no certainty to defeat Juventus, which still has an outside chance of making the top four.

Altona will provide some stiff opposition to Croatia, but I think the Essendon team will win.

Frankston City will beat Green Gully, but Croatia's goal difference (+23) is too good for Frankston (+14). I can't imagine Frankston winning 9-0 against Ajax, which is what it would have to do to win the title if Croatia won 1-0.

The battle for fourth spot isn't as tight as the race for the championship. Juventus has dropped three points over the past two weeks, and has little chance of catching Croydon.

To steal Croydon's spot in the top four, Juventus must defeat Makedonia and hope Croydon loses at home to George Cross. Juventus (+5) would have a better goal difference than Croydon (+6) if that happened.

However, I think Croydon will retain its position in the top four by defeating George Cross at Olympic Park, where it has performed reasonably well this season.

At the bottom of the ladder, Albion is only one point behind Prahran Slavia and needs to defeat Hakoah at Selwyn Park to give itself a chance.

If Albion can defeat Hakoah, Slavia will have to draw with or defeat Sunshine at Preston on Sunday.

I think Albion will defeat Hakoah at Selwyn Park, but the outcome of the Slavia/Sunshine can will be close.

A draw will do Slavia, and the Prahran team may plan the game tight and not risk losing.

SATURDAY
George Cross v Croydon (Olympic Park)

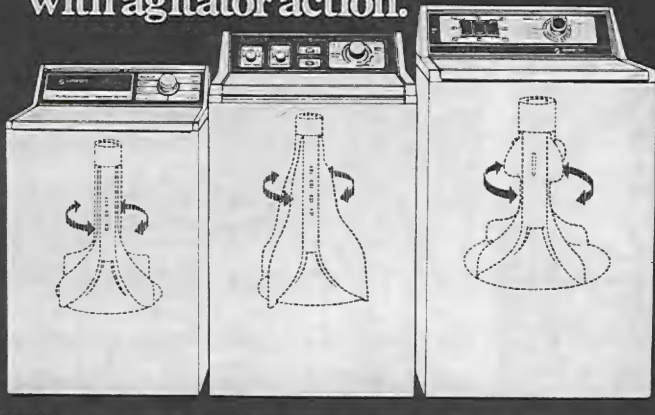
SUNDAY
Albion Leyland v Hakoah (Selwyn Park)
Croatia v Altona (Olympic Park)
Frankston v Green Gully (Centenary Park)

Double-Header at B. J. Connor Reserve, Radford Road, Reservoir. First kick-off 1.30 p.m. 1st Game: Slavia v Sunshine, 2nd Game: Makedonia v Juventus.

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SEKULSKI: POLONIA'S LATO

Richard Sekulski, who arrived in Victoria with the best credentials of any player Polonia has imported in recent years, created club history with his goalscoring feats during the 1979 season.

Fourteen goals in 20 home and away games this season surpassed previous records established by Polonia greats of the early sixties, Mike Jurecki and Eddie Jankowski.

Sekulski added a further two goals to his tally against Dandenong in the preliminary round of the Federation Cup. His goalscoring prowess is similar to Grzegorz Lato, the free-scoring Polish international.

Sekulski's career began with a team called Uma Sarzyzna with whom he became top goalscorer in the Polish 3rd. Division when he was only 17 years old.

The next season he was transferred to Stal Mielec in the First Division.

From 1967 to 1977 he played on the left wing

with Stal Mielec, which during that time won two First Division championships.

Stal Mielec dominated Polish football during this period because its team included no fewer than six internationals.

A typical Stal Mielec line-up was:

RZIESNY	KOSINSKI	KUKLA	PER	RACHWAŁ
LATO	KASPERCZAK	FINALIO	SZARMACH	DOMARSKI
			SEKULSKI	

Rziesny, Kasperczak, Kukla, Lato, Szarmach and Domarski were internationals.

Of these players, Lato was the top goalscorer in the 1972 World Cup and is now captain of the Polish national team; Szarmach finished second behind Lato in goalscoring in the 1972 World Cup; Kasperczak shared the midfield position in the national team with Kaz Deyna; and Jan Domarski scored Poland's goal in its one-all draw with England at Wembley which saw Poland make its way to the Munich World Cup at England's expense.

Although Sekulski never attained inter-

national status, European goalkeepers regarded him as a very dangerous striker.

Other highlights in Sekulski's career included winning an eight-team tournament in Argentina against Stal Mielec, Dynamo Bucharest from Europe and Argentinian champions La Plata in 1975.

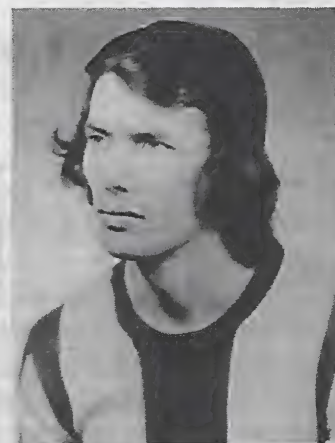
Stal Mielec defeated La Plata 2-1 in the final. Stal Mielec's victory was very impressive as La Plata had just defeated Ajax Amsterdam to decide the top team in the world, and a young forward by the name of Mario Kempes was in the La Plata line-up.

During 1977 Sekulski transferred to Second Division team Siarka where he won the club's best player award.

Prior to coming to Australia, Sekulski scored three goals for Siarka against Wisla Krakow which had just returned to Poland from its Australian tour.

Sekulski, who is married with two daughters in Poland is undecided about his future.

Polonia hopes to persuade him to stay in Melbourne.



Record-breaking forward Richard Sekulski.



Grzegorz Lato (left) a former team mate of Sekulski's, in action for Poland against East Germany's Gerd Kische. Andrezej Szarmach (left) scores for Poland past Italy's Dino Zoff.



Ace ex-Polonia forward Mike Jurecki.

Syska lifts Polonia

Polonia appointed George Syska as coach midway through the season.

Under Syska, Polonia finished second to Western Suburbs. Syska's career includes the following highlights:

He played in the Polish First Division for Stal Mielec and G.K.S. Katowice.

After completing his coaching degree in 1971, he played and coached in the U.S.A.

In 1976 he took up a coaching appointment at Guadalajara University in Mexico.

On his return to Poland he took up coaching juniors.



George Syska, the coach of Polonia Melbourne.



Former Polonia great Eddie Jankowski.

Rudi proved wrong by Argentina

On his return from South America with the under 19 team early this year, national coach Rudi Gutendorf said that Paraguay, which had beaten our youth players, would become the under 19 champion of the world.

Gutendorf said Paraguay had been outstanding against Australia and Israel in qualifying matches for the world youth championships.

The championships finals, completed in Japan last week, proved Gutendorf wrong.

Paraguay did well to reach the quarter-finals, but it was far from the best team in the competition.

Argentina won the title deservedly, but not only because of Diego Maradona the super-star but because of Luis Cesar Menotti's leadership, and his selection and because of the all-round planning and expertise put in at all levels.

Beaten finalist the Soviet Union proved that its junior organisation is among the best in the world as well.

The Soviets were criticised by various levels of the media because of their football

specialisation from the age of nine.

These critics have started eating their words. After all, the Soviet youth team won the inaugural world championship in Tunisia before finishing second this time.

The Argentine public greeted their youth team's triumph with almost more enthusiasm than they celebrated their nation's World Cup victory in Buenos Aires last year.

Menotti is good and young players like Maradona, Diaz, Calderon and Alves will soon rival the reputations of World Cup greats Passarella, Bertoni, Kempes and Tarantini.

How did Menotti achieve the remarkable feat of winning two world titles within 12 months? Surely it's been a case of expert planning and programming, and knowing what it's all about at international level.

The Argentine players were in camp for five days a week at times, and were

released only for their club games. That doesn't happen in too many countries but in Argentina, what Menotti says goes.

If we thought APFA and yet another has me going to South Melbourne.

Another report says I'm too expensive compared with other coaches.

It's wonderful to be in demand but what about Adelaide City? None of the rumors have any base because I would never speak to another club about my future while I have an obligation to fulfill.

It would be completely unfair to the board of directors and the other people running probably the most professional club in the country.

I have set certain objectives for Adelaide City, which I hope to follow through.



RALE RASIC

As for the people who claim I'm too expensive, are they aware I devote up to 24 hours a day to Adelaide City, doing not only coaching but also promotion, management and organisation? What do other clubs pay for part-time coaching alone?

My relationship with Adelaide City is first-class.

We have reached the Cup final and we are doing reasonably well in the league but I aim for much more — I aim for much greater success the type of success which the Adelaide City people deserve for their hard work and dedication to the club.

Canberra City has fallen



An Adelaide City player practices his dribbling at the Olympic Sports Field with the aid of new markers developed by a South Australian company.

down badly. One wonders what caused the dramatic decline.

The club rose rapidly into the top four in the first half of the season and took the ambitious step of signing Ian Callaghan, the former Liverpool star.

It appeared Canberra was all set for a big year.

But when Adelaide City played Canberra at Bruce Stadium recently, I was surprised, no, shocked — to hear the previously loyal spectators booing their team.

Their boos were directed most vehemently at skipper John Brown, a long-serving and loyal leader.

Poor John was booed every time he touched the ball.

Finally he made a mistake which led to Adelaide City's first goal. These spectators, who cheer the players

in the past, are now part of the cause for the players losing concentration and making mistakes.

The lesson is that supporters should stand behind their team not only when everything's rosy but especially when the chips are down. It's during the bad times that the players need support.

Allow me to mention the performances of opposing goalkeepers Michael Fraser and Greg Woodhouse in the recent St George v. APFA match.

My vote goes to Fraser, although Woodhouse was also uncanny. Fraser is one of the most complete goalkeepers in the country, — dominant in the penalty area, elegant, well-coached in the basics, and he has the same ability as much

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Taylor's goal saves Hills

Federation Cup

MELBOURNE 1 (Lux) Hill 2 (Cupido) A.E.T.
BOX HILL: Morgan - Copland, Brownlie, Leskovic, K. Paterson - G. McLeod, Corke, Valentine - Taylor, Cupido, S. Paterson

Box Hill needed extra time to overturn a spirited Melbourne team in the Federation Cup first main round.

Further, Taylor had missed a penalty when Melbourne was fouled by Paul Drinosky. Drinosky said to leave the ground soon after when Paul Corke's tackle hurt his knee. Corke and Drinosky were both booked for foul tackles during the game.

Melbourne took the lead when Hansen Lu forced home a corner, but soon after Box Hill equalised when Noel Cupido scored from 15 metres.

Melbourne was without experienced pair Billy Ray and goalkeeper John Kennedy, who were at the game and ready to play, but omitted from the team.

The match was of a poor standard, due mainly to the small pitch. A strong wind made the conditions more difficult.

In fact the match was quite comical. First instance Box Hill kicked off both times in the extra time period. A spectator wandered across the width of the pitch during play, the referee halted play to allow him to be the ball's backstop.

Best players for Box Hill were Helmut Leskovic and Noel Cupido.

MARIBURNING 6 (Krysinski 3, Sekulski, Horfink, Rachinski pen.), BRIGHTON 2 (inc. 1 pen).

MARIBURNING - Dziela-Kowalski, Wozniak (1 Pen), R. Dymitrow, Szweda, Horfink, Gawlik, P. Czapiak, Esposito (R. Lipinski), Krysinski.

Mariburning had an easy 6-2 win over Brighton in their Federation Cup game on Saturday at Mariburning. The highlight of the game was undoubtedly the hat-trick scored by Dziela-Kowalski.

Mariburning scored seven minutes into play with goal from Stevan Kovacic and it took fifteen minutes for Melbourne to score the equaliser when Ilija Kolarovski put one into the back of the net.

Dziela-Kowalski replied and within ten minutes the score had moved to 3-1 after goals from Leonard Frazer and Sreten Covicic. After the change of end Melko fought hard and Anze Stambanac scored at the 20th and 32nd minute mark to equalize.

Melko were a bit unlucky on the day as the wind which had aided Dziela-Kowalski in the first time died down in the second but this did not deter them from fighting back.

Tarax and Ansett played an outstanding game of fast, fair and high-quality soccer under ideal conditions to justify their status on the League ladder. Ansett were always a bit in front and scored their first goal from Bruno Maino at the 20th minute mark. 24 minutes later Tarax equalized when Michael Krevinger pushed home an easy shot.

Five minutes after the change of end Ansett's Frank Kovacek worked a goal into the top of the net from metres out. It took a further ten minutes for Tarax to equalize as Tim Bicki headed home a free kick.

The rest of the game saw both teams attacking, with the two oldest players (Loughran and Moyano) the most consistent runners and fighters. One minute before the end of play Ansett scored the winning goal. The final score was 3-2.

Box Hill was able to shoot a goal which was finger-pointed into the back of the net.

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Although marred by gale-force winds, was closely contested. Neither side headed the conditions well, with long balls being the order of the day. Dieter Mueller played well for Tarax Park, scoring their two goals. A.N.Z. John Posolci scored both theirs.

Olex and Tarax 'B' each scored once when they had the wind to fight out a draw. In the hard-fought match, Tarax were first to score, Olex equalizing from a free kick.

The first stanza of the Tarax-B.C.C. match yielded no score but, with C.B.C. losing a man towards the end of the half, things looked good for Tarax. In fact it was the Bankers who were to score first. However, Tarax denied their much-wanted victory when at the 90 minute mark they scored the equalizer.

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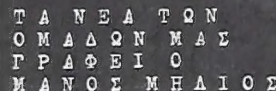
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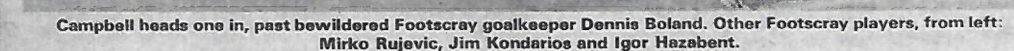
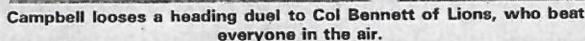
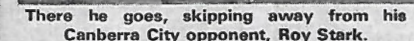
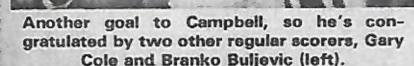
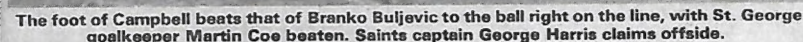
He may not get the same recognition as

But when he was switched to midfield, Campbell went from strength to strength.

The following is a pictorial tribute to Jim Campbell.



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Philips League Club Directory

ADELAIDE CITY

P.O. BOX 534 NORWOOD 5067 (08) 332 5614

SECRETARY: G. Ursini (08) 31 0778 332 5109

COACH: R. Rasic

GROUND: Olympic Sports Field, Kensington Park
332 5109 - 332 5614

COLOURS: Black & White.

SPONSORS: United Brokers

This week's match: v **BRISBANE LIONS** at
Olympic Sports Field (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm.



BRISBANE LIONS

15 DELPHINUS ST., INALA, QLD. 4077

SECRETARY: S. Boegheim (07) 372 2891

COACH: M. Carson

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd.,
Mayne. (07) 52 5328.

SPONSOR: Tri-Steel Industries, Fine Steel Buildings



This week's match: v **ADELAIDE CITY** at
Olympic Sports Field (Adelaide) Sunday 2.30 pm.

BRISBANE CITY

P. O. Box 265 Broadway, Brisbane 4001

Club phone: 356 8834

SECRETARY: G. Canale bus (07) 52 4711.

COACH: N. Saffich.

GROUND: Perry Park, Abbotsford Rd., Mayne.

SPONSOR: Montrose Wines & Spirits Pty. Limited
Retail Cellar Sales, 398 Montague Rd.
West End Brisbane Phone 44 7320

This week's match: v **WEST ADELAIDE** at
Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 2.30 pm.



CANBERRA CITY

P.O. Box 910, Canberra City 2600

SECRETARY: Max Talbot (W) 48 8917 (A.H.) 88 5078.

COACH: V. Fernandez

GROUND: National Athletic Stadium, Bruce

SPONSOR: BRIAN POLLOCK Ford



This week's match: v **SYDNEY CITY** at
National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm.

HEIDELBERG UNITED

P.O. BOX 8, COLLINGWOOD, 3066

SECRETARY: A. Loustas 419 2588.

COACH: M. Poulakakis

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St., Melb.
(03) 42 0642.



This week's match: v **MARCONI** at
Olympic Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.

FOOTSCRAY

P.O. BOX 122, ST KILDA SOUTH, 3182

SECRETARY: H. Iser bus (03) 391 3231

COACH: B. McLachlan

GROUND: Olympic Park, Swan St, Melb (03) 42 0642

COLOURS: Blue White Red.

SPONSOR:



This week's match: v **NEWCASTLE KB UNITED**
International Sports Centre (Newcastle) Saturday 2.30 pm.

NEWCASTLE KB UNITED

4 NORTHWOOD ST., ADAMSTOWN HEIGHTS, N.S.W., 2289

SECRETARY: P. Trisley, Bus. (049) 24930 (049) 26 2433

COACH: A. Vest

GROUND: International Sports Centre, Turton Rd.,
New Lambton. Ph (049) 52 1224

SPONSOR: Tooth & Co., Brewers of KB Beer



This week's match: v **FOOTSCRAY** at
International Sports Centre (Newcastle) Saturday 2.30 pm.

MARCONI

MARCONI ROAD, BOSSLEY PARK, N.S.W. 2176

SECRETARY: L. Sartoretto (02) 604 5222.

COACH: L. Scheinflug.

GROUND: Marconi Oval, Marconi Rd.,
Bossley Park.



This week's match: v **HEIDELBERG UNITED** at
Olympic Park (Melbourne) Sunday 3 pm.

SOUTH MELBOURNE

P.O. BOX 64, ST. KILDA WEST, VIC., 3182

GENERAL SECRETARY: J. Karvess, Tel 534 5462

COACH: John Margaritis

GROUND: Middle Park, Aughtie Drive, Middle Park

COLOURS: Blue & White

Girls who wish to enter Miss South Melbourne quest please contact
N. Sagiakos 528 6196 (A.H.) P. Pallas 232 4577 (Bus), 233 2514 (A.H.).

This week's match: v **A.P.I.A. LEICHHARDT** at
Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.



ST. GEORGE

84 VICTORIA AVENUE, MORTDALE, N.S.W.

GENERAL MANAGER: L. Bordacs (02) 269 2745.

COACH: R. Blanco

GROUND: St George Stadium, Rockdale



This week's match: v **SYDNEY OLYMPIC** at
St George Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

WEST ADELAIDE

G.P.O. BOX 1130, ADELAIDE S.A., 5001

SECRETARY: D. A. Carapetis, Bus. (08) 227 4311.

COACH: T. Forde.

GROUND: Hindmarsh Stadium, Manton St., Hindmarsh.

This week's match: v **BRISBANE CITY** at
Perry Park (Brisbane) Sunday 2.30 pm.



SYDNEY OLYMPIC

BOX A181 SYDNEY SOUTH, N.S.W., 2000

SECRETARY: N Smilas (Bus) (02) 72 0661.

COACH: J. Xipolitas

GROUND: Pratton Park, Ashfield.

SPONSOR: opatra



This week's match: v **ST GEORGE** at
St George Stadium (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

A.P.I.A. LEICHHARDT

38-42 FRAZER ST., LEICHHARDT. 2040.

SECRETARY: H. Ambrose (02) 516 1688

COACH: R. Richards

GROUND: Wentworth Park, Glebe.
Phone (02) 660 7431.



This week's match: v **SOUTH MELBOURNE** at
Wentworth Park (Sydney) Sunday 3 pm.

SYDNEY CITY

61 HALL ST., BONDI, NSW.

SECRETARY: H. K. Lakmaker (02) 30 3344

(Mornings).

663 4576 (Afternoons).

COACH: G. Chaldi.

GROUND: Wentworth Park Glebe, NSW
Phone (02) 660 7431.

SPONSOR: **PRESTO SMALLGOODS and City Ford**

This week's match: v **CANBERRA CITY** at
National Athletic Stadium (Canberra) Sunday 3 pm.

